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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA - Native Mountain View resident and Chair of the Human Relations Commission Lucas Ramirez formally announced his candidacy Tuesday for Mountain View City Council.

Ramirez is grateful to have the endorsement of State Senator Jerry Hill and Mountain View Whisman School District Trustees Ellen Wheeler and José Gutiérrez, Jr.

His supporters also include Mountain View Human Relations Commissioners Aila Malik, Evan Ortiz, and Pamela Baird; Downtown Committee members Jamil Shaikh and Merry Yen; Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee member Greg Unangst; Old Mountain View Neighborhood Association CERT Chair and local activist Aaron Grossman; longtime resident and affordable housing advocate Joan MacDonald; and Mountain View residents Sanjay Dave, Bruce England, Maria Marroquin, Deb Henigson, Cliff Chambers, Dr. Michael Fischetti, Dr. Marilyn Winkleby, John Keen, and Judy Plaska.

Ramirez, a resident of the Greater San Antonio area, brings his experience as a member of the VTA Citizens Advisory Committee and League of Women Voters local government Observation Corps. He is also an active member of many local organizations, including Carbon Free Mountain View and Mountain View Coalition for Sustainable Planning. He is a former board member of the Santa Clara County League of Conservation Voters.

"The housing affordability crisis and severe traffic congestion threaten the stability and prosperity of our community," Ramirez said. "I'm prepared to take on these and other challenges facing the City."

Ramirez said his top priorities include fighting displacement of longtime residents, improving transit and bicycle/pedestrian infrastructure, and increasing opportunities for public input and civic engagement.

To learn more, please visit www.ramirezforcouncil.com.