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Arcadia has many wonderful traditions including free parking for customers at our shops.

Your YES vote on Measure P, the free parking initiative, ensures that every large retail shopping center continues this tradition of free parking for all customers. We are not like other cities where customers are often forced to pay just to find parking.

Arcadia's tradition of free parking is longstanding. The City's leadership doesn't even allow parking meters on our streets. Customers already spend their hard-earned money when they shop, so self-parking should be free – it's only fair.

Free parking will also keep cars in the parking lots near the stores and out of our neighborhoods.

We all know what traffic is like on Derby Day and other major race days. Our streets are clogged because motorists won't spend \$4 for an entire day of parking at the Racetrack. And if our shopping centers charge as much as \$12 for people to park, it may be impossible for Arcadia residents to drive on our overcrowded streets. Imagine all those cars on our streets EVERYDAY.

Measure P, the free parking initiative, requires ample free parking onsite at large commercial centers and helps preserve the tranquility of Arcadia's neighborhoods.

Some say that only Arcadia residents should have free parking in our large shopping centers. That isn't fair and, any system of free parking for some and paid parking for others requires verification of each customer's residence identification, which would simply create long lines, confusion and more congestion.

Measure P states that Free Parking should be just that, an open policy that every large shopping center must offer to everyone, not a select few.

Please Vote YES on Measure P, the free parking initiative.

Thank You.

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