No Schools on Radioactive Treasure Island SF School Board Meeting Tues, January 28, 6 PM 550 Franklin St, SF

## Protect our Children from Contamination and Cancer we must not build schools on Treasure Island

"My name is Dr. Nayvin Gordon. I am a board Certified Family Medicine Physician who has worked in California for 40 years.

It is no secret that the Navy contaminated Treasure Island with nuclear radiation for decades. Based on the extent of radiation contamination already discovered, the entire island must be assumed to be contaminated. The world has long known about the dangers of radiation. Some examples are: death and cancer from the nuclear bombs exploded in Hiroshima and Nagasaki; the mutations and growth defects of babies born to women who were given x- rays when pregnant; the high cancer rate in nuclear plant workers; the deaths and cancers after the nuclear plant Chernobyl explosion.

Radiation, even at very low levels, causes genetic mutation, growth defects, leukemia and cancers. Radiation is dangerous to life, *especially to children and pregnant women who are more sensitive to radiation damage.* Since 1980 the incidence of cancer in children has been increasing at 3% every year. The Center for Disease Control (CDC) documents a steady rise in childhood leukemia and brain cancer from 1999 through 2010. Our children do not need more radiation in their environment." See <a href="https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/10379458">https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/10379458</a>

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