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Candidate Endorsement Questionnaire

San Diego County Democratic Party Chartered Club

Thank you for seeking the endorsement of the Point Loma Democratic Club (PLDC). We are proud to support qualified Democratic candidates for public office.

The Policies and Procedures accompanying this questionnaire will explain the Club's endorsement process and timeline. Our consideration of your endorsement request will begin when we receive this completed questionnaire along with your resume and copy of your publicly filed contribution documents. Please contact us at info@pointlomadem.org with any questions.

PART I BASIC INFORMATION

Name:

Office Sought:

Are you the incumbent?

Name of your Campaign Manager if you have one:

Address:

Phone:

Email Address:

Website:

Twitter Account:

Facebook Account:

Linked In Profile:

Any other social media or publicly accessible electronic accounts (e.g., Instagram):

PART II CANDIDATE PROFILE

Have you ever been registered with a party other than the Democratic Party? If yes, when and which party(ies)?

How long have you lived in the district in which you are running?

Have you ever missed voting in any election cycle? If yes, please explain.

Have you ever run for or been appointed to public office? If yes, please explain.

Please list your opponents, if any, at this time.

Please list your endorsements (or attach the list on a separate page).

Are there any core Democratic issues where you differ from the Democratic Party? If so, what are they?

If elected, what are the three specific things that you would try to accomplish?

PART III ISSUES & GOALS

Why are you running for office?

What skills do you have or positions have you held that qualify you for the position that you seek?

What three issues do you consider to be your priorities?

What actions have you personally taken to protect or advocate for the advancement of Democrats and/or Democratic Party policies?

Please respond Yes or No the questions below. If you want to elaborate on a response, or would like to discuss an issue not addressed below, please do so on a separate page.

1. PLDC trains, mentors and supports qualified Democrats who run for elected office.

_____ Do you agree to support Democrats who are currently in office?

2. PLDC supports the advancement of women.

_____ Have you previously supported policies that enable women to more equitably advance in the workplace such as increased access to affordable, quality childcare?

_____ Do you support the end to all discrimination against women in the work place, especially unequal pay and sexual harassment?

_____ Have you previously mentored women for advancement?

_____ If elected, will you mentor women for advancement?

3. PLDC supports women's sexual and reproductive rights.

Reproductive rights and access to safe, comprehensive health care for women are under attack in the United States.

Will you support:

_____ every woman's right to control her own fertility and to access safe, comprehensive, affordable reproductive health care including contraception and abortion?

_____ the United States Supreme Court decision Roe v. Wade and oppose any attempt to overturn Roe?

_____ public funding of prenatal care, family planning, emergency contraception, abortion services and other reproductive health care services for all eligible individuals who rely on the government for their health care services?

_____ the rights of minors to confidential family planning, abortion, prenatal care, and sexually transmitted infection screening and treatment services without parental notification requirements?

_____ comprehensive, age-appropriate, medically accurate sexuality and HIV/AIDS education in public schools that is free of racial, ethnic and gender bias?

4. PLDC supports the elimination of discriminatory health insurance practices.

The Affordable Care Act of 2010 ends discriminatory practices in the insurance industry.

_____ Will you support policies that make health insurance more accessible and affordable for everyone?

5. PLDC supports the elimination of all violence against women and girls.

Violence against women and girls is one of the most widespread violations of human rights.

Gender-based violence also hampers productivity and undermines economic growth.

Will you support:

_____ serious penalties for all acts of violence against women including domestic violence, date rape, human trafficking, organized prostitution rings that target young teens, rape in the military, etc.?

_____ programs to provide a safe haven for women and girls while they establish stability and security?

_____ the education in and use of non-violent conflict resolution in schools and at every level of society?

_____ passage of a comprehensive Violence Against Women Act that does not exclude any class of women from protection under the law?

6. PLDC supports economic empowerment of the underprivileged and the middle class.

Nearly 5 million more women than men live in poverty in the United States. Families headed by a single adult are more likely to be headed by women and are at greater risk of poverty and deep poverty.

_____ Will you support policies that provide access to quality, affordable education, housing, transportation, healthcare, childcare and jobs that pay a living wage?

_____ Will you support living-wage initiatives?

_____ Do you support unions and the initiatives of organized labor as advocates of the working families?

_____ Have you, or will you ever, cross a picket line? And have you, or will you ever, join a union sponsored protest, boycott, or picket line?

7. PLDC supports environmental protection and conservation.

Increased conservation and use of renewable energy is a long-term solution to protecting the environment, increasing national security, reducing energy costs and improving health.

_____ Will you support policies to protect air and water quality and to increase energy conservation and the use of renewable energy resources?

_____ Will you support full implementation of the City of San Diego's Climate Action Plan?

8. PLDC supports marriage equality.

_____ Will you support marriage equality?

9. PLDC supports sensible gun control measures.

_____ Do you support sensible gun control?

Candidate Signature

Date

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Candidate Endorsement Policies and Procedures

I POLICIES

A GOALS

The principal goal of the Point Loma Democratic Club (PLDC) in endorsements is to increase the number of qualified Democrats in leadership positions in San Diego County and in California. PLDC endorses candidates who have demonstrated a commitment to Democratic values and who have demonstrated involvement with, support of, and responsiveness to, Democratic policies and policy aspirations.

B CRITERIA FOR ENDORSEMENT

1. Qualifications. In deciding whether to issue an endorsement, PLDC will consider, among other things, the following factors:
 - a) the extent to which a candidate has demonstrated involvement with, support of and responsiveness to, Democratic values;
 - a) demonstrated commitment to equal opportunity and equal justice under the law;
 - b) integrity, character and common sense; and
 - c) membership in and demonstrated support of community organizations, including, but not limited to, those related to the advancement of Democratic values.
2. Statutory Criteria. PLDC will only endorse only candidates who have satisfied the minimum requirements for the position sought.

C RATING LEVELS

There may be rating levels of candidates (e.g., qualified, very qualified), however, PLDC will generally endorse candidates without rating levels, who have demonstrated satisfaction of the criteria listed in Part III. Generally, PLDC will take no position regarding a candidate if it chooses not to endorse that candidate; however, PLDC may oppose a candidate whom it believes should not be elected or appointed.

D NUMBER OF ENDORSEMENTS PER POSITION

PLDC may endorse as many candidates as exist who meet its criteria for a particular position.

II PROCEDURES

A PROCEDURE FOR APPLICATION

Candidates seeking an endorsement must comply with the following procedures:

1. Inform a member of the Point Loma Democratic Club Endorsement Committee or a PLDC Officer in writing of his/her intent to request PLDC's endorsement. Upon notification of this request, the Endorsement Committee or PLDC Officer will forward to the candidate these Policies and Procedures and a Candidate Endorsement Questionnaire.
2. Forward the following information to the Endorsement Committee:
 - a) Title of the position sought;
 - b) Any external deadline(s) relevant to the candidate's application;
 - c) Name, title and address of the person to whom endorsement letter should be sent;
 - d) Resume and other materials the candidate considers relevant to his/her qualifications; and
 - e) Completed Questionnaire received from the Board.

B PROCEDURE FOR ASSESSMENT

1. Upon receipt of the above information, the Endorsement Committee will assess and conduct due diligence in establishing the candidate's qualifications based on the criteria set forth in Section I.B.
2. Upon completion of the assessment described above, the Endorsement Committee may, in its discretion, interview the candidate.
3. Upon completion of the assessment described above, the Endorsement Committee may, in its discretion, invite the candidate to give a five minute speech to the PLDC members at a regularly scheduled meeting.
4. PLDC may issue an endorsement after having conducted a confidential vote of the majority of its members in attendance at a regularly scheduled meeting.

III CONFIDENTIALITY

PLDC will hold and treat in strict confidence all documents submitted by the candidate and will limit disclosure to the Endorsement Committee/PLDC Officers.

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