Questionnaire for candidates for the office of San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee Member, AD 13



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Candidate/Campaign Information:

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General Questions. Please write a brief response (under 150 words) to each question.

1. Why are you running? Why should we vote for you?

San Francisco voters tend to vote with the Democratic Party because of the party's long standing advocacy on progressive issues and ideas. What is the reason behind the ongoing voter apathy, disengagement, and trend in low voter turn-out? And what is the excuse for the lack of representation of women and people of color on the DCCC? To reverse the negative trends, we need a new perspective of ideas, creativity, and coalition building on the DCCC. As a long time democrat, volunteer, grass roots organizer, and coalition builder, I am running, and also very excited to join forces to begin the crucial work to reform the DCCC, and steer it in the right direction. The Potrero Hill Democratic Club, always known for its leadership, can be an instrument of change, and, it will be a great honor indeed for me to receive the club's endorsement.

2. What sets you apart from your opponents?

1. My extensive involvements in the Democratic clubs affairs, especially in leadership positions.

2. Extensive knowledge of Democratic Party platforms, Governance, Operations and Management.

3. Ongoing efforts to increase voter participation in the electoral process. I have spearheaded successful Voter Registration and Education, fundraising, GOTV

activities, and participated in the planning and implementation of policies that have benefitted the local and State Democratic Party.

While serving on the board of the League of Women Voters, my team developed the most comprehensive outreach campaign to target young voters. I've served on the boards of Democratic Clubs, Women's and neighborhood organizations, on City and State Commissions. These positions have broadened my views on issues, and provided rare insights into problem solving and effective policy making. I know how to get things done.

3. Potrero Hill Democratic Club endorses fiscally responsible and socially progressive candidates. Please give examples of why you fit these criteria.

Issues.

I've always supported progressive causes. I am particularly proud of my work as an Environmental Justice advocate, and of my accomplishments while serving on the SF Commission of the Environment, and other civic, and policy making bodies. And I've enacted policies to curb government waste while serving on city commissions. I have led successful battles to bring about public awareness of environmental, health and economic disparities in SF, especially in the Southeast sector. I am very active in women issues advocacy. As a SF Human Rights Commissioner, I've dealt with a variety of equity issues and I've always taken the appropriate actions to uphold human dignity.

1. Do you support or oppose the following Propositions on the June ballot?

Proposition 14	support	XXXXop	oose
Proposition 15	XXXXsup	porto	opose
Proposition 16	support	XXXXopj	oose
Proposition 17	support	XXXX_opp	ose
2. Did you support Proposition 8? I campaigned against Prop 8		support	_XXXXoppose