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

Statewide Direct Primary Election, June 8, 2010



## **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? As a current DCCC member, my goal is to empower or strengthen/build the Democratic Party through reform. Also, as a current member, I have learned successful strategies and built strong relationships with current DCCC members and our electeds that has allowed me to develop effective strategies in moving forward resolutions that influence policy at the local, state and national levels. This includes leading the way at the DCCC on support for Community Aggregate Choice, state campaign finance reform and supporting our Democratic leaders in finding solutions to remove our entanglement in this country's originally Republican driven wars to free up much needed resources. I believe my knowledge base will enable me to be even more effective with another term on the SFDCCC.

## 2. What sets you apart from your opponents?

I've been elected to and served 3 terms at the SFDCCC, these past 2 terms served as Vice Chair in charge of outreach and brought in 31 new and/or re-chartered clubs. Moved several anti-war, housing/tenant, CCA, healthcare, campaign finance reform, labor and social justice resolutions. Currently serve as a member of the CDP e-board. Served as Milk Club president in 2004 in addition to two years on its e-board. Served numerous volunteer functions in conjunction with the local and state Democratic Party during the pushback campaign against Schwarzenegger's initiative slate including No on 75, and No on 83 in 2005. I am a member of the CDP LGBT, Progressive and Labor

Caucuses. Am an active current and/or past member of numerous SF Democratic Party chartered clubs.

3. Potrero Hill Democratic Club endorses fiscally responsible and socially progressive candidates. Please give examples of why you fit these criteria. I am a strong and active supporter of affordable housing solutions for the poor and middle-class as a means of keeping both families and single people who are building careers and making contributions to their community in San Francisco. To that end I have been a strong supporter of the inclusionary housing laws as applied to new building projects and accompanying in lieu fees. I believe we need to look at increasing the number of mandated inclusionary housing units and raise incrementally the in lieu fee structure. However, I do believe we should be wary of using bond structures derived from existing residential units for development of new affordable housing. As a means of avoiding fare hikes and service cuts to MUNI I support extending the time limits on parking meters, but only along major commercial strips, particularly in the "congestion zone", excluding the adjacent primarily residential side streets that feed into these commercial strips.

## Issues.

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

Proposition 14 \_\_support X oppose

Proposition 15 X\_support \_\_oppose

Proposition 16 \_\_support X oppose

Proposition 17 \_\_support X\_oppose

2. Did you support Proposition 8? \_\_support X oppose