

San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee

Please return this questionnaire electronically to contact_us@phdemclub.org no later than Sunday, April 4th. Candidates who do not return the questionnaire by the due date will not be invited to appear at our April 12th endorsement meeting. Questionnaires will be made available to our members online.

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Please write a brief response (≤ 200 words) to each question.

1. Why are you running for the DCCC and what do you hope to accomplish if elected or re-elected?

I currently represent one of the most diverse districts in San Francisco--District 6. I represent the poorest residents of San Francisco, as well as the current wealthiest zip code in San Francisco. In addition, I am focused on proven solutions to make our neighborhoods safer, healthier, and stronger, focusing on investing and building infrastructure, and strengthening neighborhood organizations.

I am running because I want to be a voice for my constituents in the DCCC and bring my knowledge of policy and legislative experience to the position. I have built a strong base of support through my community work and time in office. I have approached policy-making with a values-based approach that prioritizes community building and progressive leadership, and I have developed a reputation as someone who will fight for everyone in the city - in particular, those who too often do not have a voice in our government.

2. Please describe your current and past community activism.

Prior to serving on the Board of Supervisors, I served as a Community Organizer at Chinatown Community Development Center for six years, a Civil Rights Attorney at Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights, and a Policy Fellow at the Greenlining Institute. I was also elected to the San Francisco Board of Education and served as President at the same time that I was attending Boalt Law School. During my Board of Education race in 2006, I won the highest number of votes out of 15 candidates citywide.

3. Would you support closing the campaign finance loophole that allows candidates running for their party's Central Committee to raise unlimited funds, while other candidates for local elected office are limited to \$500 per donor? Why or why not?

I support closing all campaign finance loopholes because I believe in equal access to campaign funding. In 2012, I co-sponsored legislation to reform San Francisco's campaign finance laws to make City government more transparent and accessible. And I have supported making San Francisco government documents and meetings publically available online and have worked with groups like Code for America and the Open Government Foundation to bring more digital transparency to City government so that elected officials can be held accountable by the people.

4. Please name the 3 endorsements of which you are most proud.

The endorsement process for DCCC has just begin, so I have not received any endorsements for my candidacy for DCCC as of yet.

5. Please indicate, and explain, your position on the following past ballot propositions.

Proposition G (2014), Additional Transfer Tax on Residential Property Sold Within 5 Years of Purchase

Supported I was a co-sponsor of this legislation because there is a severe housing crisis in San Francisco. Gentrification, especially the increasing cost of housing, is an immense challenge for San Francisco. This increase in cost of housing is displacing many longtime San Francisco residents and impacting our racial, age, labor, and family make-up diversity. 60% of our residents qualify for what we define as affordable housing, and we have not kept pace in meeting our housing production needs for low- and middle-income residents. 60% of our new housing construction should be affordable to the 60% of San Francisco residents who qualify for affordable housing. This is a tremendous challenge--San Francisco is unaffordable for our

teachers, service industry workers, building trades, and other working and middle class residents. I introduced a ballot measure--part of my Fair Sharing Economy package of legislation--that will increase the real estate transfer tax for homes that sell for over \$5 million, called the "ultra-luxury housing tax." It will also create a new tax bracket for homes that sell for more than \$25 million.

Proposition F (2015), Short-Term Residential Rentals

Supported I support true short-term rentals--renting out your home temporarily a few weekends per month or a summer to support your rent costs and host people from around the world. However, I cannot support a policy that allows individuals to rent out their homes 365 nights a year, starving our limited housing supply. Prop. F struck the right balance--it would have legalized true short-term rentals, while also protecting units from completely being taken off the housing market.

6. The population of SF is up, but Democratic Party registration and turnout have mostly been down in recent years. What specifically will you do to improve the Party's registration efforts and organization in District 11?

I will continue my work to increase voter registration for the Democratic Party by focusing on increasing voter turnout among communities of color, immigrant communities, and young and senior voters, which I did both as a community organizer at the Chinatown Community Development Center and as a candidate in 2004, 2006, 2010, and 2014. I continue to register voters, including absentee voters to ensure our residents have a voice in our democratic process.

In addition, I will continue my current involvement in the Young Elected Officials Network, whose mission is to support progressive elected leaders, largely Democrats, who share a passion for building communities that reflect values of freedom, fairness, and opportunity for all.

I will use the strong base of support I've built both through my community activism and my work on the Board of Supervisors to encourage Democratic Party registration. My approach to policy-making is values-based and prioritizes community-building and progressive leadership development. I have developed a reputation as someone who will fight for everyone--in particular, those whose interests are underserved by the government.

Thank you for your time and your commitment to public service. Pending timely receipt of your questionnaire, we look forward to seeing you at the Potrero Hill Neighborhood House on April 12th.

Executive Committee, Potrero Hill Democratic Club