



Voters Guide General Election November 6, 2018

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This guide lists all candidates in the November 6, 2018 General Election for U.S. Senator, Representatives in Congress, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, State Senators in even-numbered districts and State Representatives. Ballot questions for residents of Allegheny County, Bethel Park, Monroeville, and West Deer Township.

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The Voters Guide listings are based entirely on material submitted by the candidates. In cases in which questionnaires were not returned, only the candidate's name and party are listed. Every candidate was asked to submit a photograph. Those received are printed.

The guide lists all candidates in the November 6, General Election for U.S. Senator, Representatives in Congress, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, State Senators in even-numbered districts, and State Representatives. The candidates' names are listed as they will appear on the ballot. The party of the governor is, by practice, given the first position on the ballot in Pennsylvania.

Study the guide and choose the candidates for whom you want to vote. You may take the guide into the voting booth to help you. Nothing in this guide should be construed as an endorsement of any candidate by the League of Women Voters.

League of Women Voters Guide to General Election— November 6, 2018 (Polls open from 7 AM to 8 PM)



Voters who are not sure if they are registered should call the Allegheny County Department of Elections, 412-350-4510, or go to Votespa.com. To find out what district you live in call the League of Women Voters Community Information Center, 412-261-4284, Mon-Thurs 9-3pm.

Voting in a General Election

To vote in this election you must have been registered by October 9, 2018. Your registration is permanent if

- You did not change your address
- You did not change your name

Identification Requirements for New Voters

If you are a new voter or if you are voting at a polling place for the first time then you must bring your voter ID card or a photo ID such as a driver's license, student ID or some other form of Federal or State government issued ID. Some forms of non-photo ID are also acceptable such as a firearm permit, current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, or government check. If you do not have any acceptable ID then you must be allowed to vote by provisional ballot.

Provisional Ballots

If your right to vote is challenged at the polls on election day, and you are in the right polling place, and the problem cannot be resolved by the judge of elections, you have the right to ask for and vote by provisional ballot. If it is later determined that you were eligible to vote your ballot will be counted. You will be given instructions on how to determine if your vote was counted.

Absentee Voting

Registered voters who are ill, disabled, or will be absent from the municipality on Election Day may vote by absentee ballot. Completed APPLICA-

TIONS for absentee ballots must be received by the county Board of Elections by 5 P.M., Tuesday, October 30. Completed absentee BALLOTS must be received back at the Elections Division by 5 P.M. on Friday, November 2. If an emergency arises (unexpected illness or business trip) after the Tuesday application deadline, call your county Elections Division for information on emergency absentee voting. Proof of emergency may be required. An emergency application and ballot can be obtained and voted by 5 P.M. on Friday, November 2. Any disabled voter having questions regarding the accessibility of a polling place should consult the county Board of Elections.

Write-in Voting

For write-in voting information; check with the workers at your polling place before entering the voting booth.

Prisoners' Rights

You are eligible to vote if you are awaiting trial.

If you are a prisoner in Pennsylvania, you are eligible to vote if

- You were convicted of a misdemeanor.
- You are registered properly.
- You have obtained an absentee ballot.

Internet Voters Guide

This Voters Guide and other useful information for voters can be found on the League's Homepage at <http://lwvpg.org> and at www.vote411.org

UNITED STATES SENATOR

(Vote for one)

TERM: 6 years **SALARY:** \$174,000

Duties: **CONGRESS**, the legislative branch of the Federal government, is composed of two houses, the Senate and the House of Representatives. A majority vote of both houses is required to pass a law. The Senate made up of two members from each of the 50 states also has the power to approve treaties and confirm presidential appointments. Terms are staggered with one-third of the membership up for election every two years.

DEMOCRATIC

BOB CASEY, JR.

PARTY: DEMOCRATIC

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EDUCATION: Holy Cross B.A. 1982 Catholic University Law Degree 1988

QUALIFICATIONS: Auditor-General of Pennsylvania 1997-2005 Treasurer of Pennsylvania 2005-2007 United States Senator 2007-Present

CAMPAIGN WEBSITE: BobCasey.com

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: The top three issues I am focused on are increasing access to affordable health care, protecting the programs Pennsylvanians depend on, and helping working families get ahead. That means stopping the Trump administration's sabotage of our health care system, defeating Republican attacks on Medicare, Medicaid, and Social Security, and fighting to raise wages, protect the rights of organized labor, and eliminate the obstacles holding working families back.

Q: If elected, what will you do to ensure that the voting rights of all Americans are protected and that our elections are accessible and secure from internal and external threats?



BOB CASEY JR.

A: The right to vote has been called our most precious right, and the "primary right by which all other rights are protected." I supported The Voting Rights Reconstruction Act of 2015, legislation which would restore the Voting Rights Act, and I oppose efforts to suppress voter turnout, and support measures to make voting easier for people. I oppose voter ID laws, and favor restoring voting rights to people after they have served their sentences. During the Kavanaugh confirmation fight, I have been working to make clear that I expect our next Supreme Court Justice to protect voting rights, and not dismantle the tools by which they are protected. No one should be stop eligible voters from casting their ballot. Earlier this year, I helped to secure \$13 million from the Election Assistance Commission to help secure Pennsylvania's election systems, and I am working in the Senate to appropriate more funds for election security.

Q: What steps will you take to ensure that the upcoming census is fully funded, accurate, and avoids under-counting?

A: I will fight to ensure that the census is fully funded and I oppose Trump Administration efforts to undercount people in marginalized communities. It is vital that the census is accurate so that Americans are fairly represented in Congress.

REPUBLICAN

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LOU BARLETTA

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EDUCATION: Attended Bloomsburg State Col-
 lege (Bloomsburg University) where I majored in
 elementary education.

QUALIFICATIONS: As a former small business
 owner, mayor of Hazleton, and member of Congress,
 I have a strong record of standing up and fighting
 for people in my community.

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: My top three priorities are keeping Pennsylvania's
 families safe, protecting Pennsylvania jobs,
 and standing up for the men and women who serve
 our communities. More than anything, people want
 someone willing to fight for them, when no one else
 will. That's what I have always done, and that's why
 I'm running for the U.S. Senate.

Q: If elected, what will you do to ensure that the
 voting rights of all Americans are protected and
 that our elections are accessible and secure from in-
 ternal and external threats?

A: Congress has a constitutional duty to preserve
 the integrity of our democracy and ensure that our
 elections are both free and fair. As a member of
 the House Homeland Security Committee, I have
 worked with my colleagues to make sure our voting
 systems are secure. I recently voted for increased
 funding for states to improve their election securi-
 ty, as well as increased funding to counter Russian
 cyber attacks. I also spoke out against the Penn-
 sylvania Supreme Court's decision to throw out
 Pennsylvania's bipartisan, constitutionally-drawn
 congressional map in the middle of the election, cre-
 ating chaos and confusion among voters.

Q: What steps will you take to ensure that the up-
 coming census is fully funded, accurate, and avoids
 under-counting?

A: The Census is important to provide legislators
 with accurate information to make informed policy
 decisions that are in the best interest of our country.
 I continue to support efforts to fund the Census and
 ensure that it accurately reflects our nation's demo-
 graphics.

LIBERTARIAN

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EDUCATION: Widener Univer-
 sity - Professional Studies, Project
 Management Sociology Master
 Electrician by trade

QUALIFICATIONS: Founder
 and President of the Little An-
 gels Foundation. Cabot Creamery
 Community Celebrity winner for
 volunteerism. Over 7 years in the non-profit sector
 in a volunteer capacity. Recently appointed to the
 James A Masterson Foundation advisory board.

CAMPAIGN WEBSITE: <https://dalekerns.com>

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: 1) We must address the opioid epidemic and end
 the War on Drugs. When I get to the US Senate, I will
 sponsor legislation that will fundamentally change
 how we view drug problems and move our system to
 one similar to Portugal or Switzerland, where drug
 addiction is treated as a medical issue. 2) Education
 is one of the most important issues our nation and
 Commonwealth face. As a father to two daughters,
 I am not pleased with the options (or lack thereof)
 that most parents have. I will vote to abolish the
 federal Department of Education and return deci-
 sions to parents, students, and local communities.
 3) Our immigration system is broken. It can take
 decades for individuals to immigrate to this country
 legally. We should welcome those who come to the
 United States to make a better life for their fami-
 lies. Our communities have been built on the hard
 work of immigrants. I will vote to abolish ICE and
 to reform our immigration system by making it easier
 for good people to legally immigrate.

Q: If elected, what will you do to ensure that the
 voting rights of all Americans are protected and
 that our elections are accessible and secure from in-
 ternal and external threats?

A: I would work in the Senate to ensure that those
 who wish to vote can do so without any unnecessary
 hurdles. This would include rigid enforcement of the
 Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments and support
 of early voting and same-day voter registration, as
 well as opposition to any new voter ID laws. States
 maintain the right to conduct their elections as they
 please, but they must also abide by the aforemen-
 tioned constitutional requirements, which were de-
 signed to protect the sanctity of the voting booth.

Q: What steps will you take to ensure that the up-
 coming census is fully funded, accurate, and avoids
 under-counting?

A: Like any other government agency, the census
 should be held to high standards and tight budget
 restraints. As a U.S. Senator, I will insist that all
 possible options are explored, and that only the best
 companies and individuals are selected to partake
 in the census. This would include a rigorous vetting
 and screening process. Competition and account-
 ability will vastly improve the results which we re-
 ceive.



DALE R. KERNS JR.

GREEN

NEAL TAYLOR GALE

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EDUCATION: Drexel Universi-
 ty - Architecture

QUALIFICATIONS: For the
 past forty years I have worked in the energy con-
 servation and efficiency fields, currently managing
 a comprehensive, low-income energy affordability
 program in conjunction with the six investor-owned
 utilities, in New Jersey.

CAMPAIGN WEBSITE: www.gale2018.com

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: 1. Remove Corporate, PAC, lobbyist and oth-
 er special interests' money from the political pro-
 cess, to end the influence of those groups on spe-
 cific legislation and the buying of political favors.
 2. Generate the political will at the federal level
 of government to implement a transition from our
 existing fossil fuel economy to a 100% renewable
 energy economy, acknowledging the existential
 threat that climate change represents. 3. Reform
 our economic model to favor all of our citizens,
 not just the wealthiest 1%. This will include the
 re-regulation of the financial industries and the
 recognition that the economy should support a
 baseline standard of living, below which no one
 may be allowed to fall.

Q: If elected, what will you do to ensure that the
 voting rights of all Americans are protected and
 that our elections are accessible and secure from in-
 ternal and external threats?

A: I will fight for legislation to make voter reg-
 istration as accessible as possible for all citizens,
 reversing unwarranted restrictions on voters. I
 would like to see election day become a nation-
 al holiday and I would support federal funding
 to provide election day transportation for those
 citizens who would otherwise be unable to reach
 their polling place. I will support fair districting
 practices throughout the country, beginning with
 Pennsylvania. I will also champion the cause of
 providing resources to bring the latest voting
 technology into our polling places, replacing the
 existing, digital screen machines with those that
 incorporate paper balloting. I will support legisla-
 tion to demand intelligence resources be assigned
 to recognize and thwart any attempts to alter our
 electoral system, by any means, digital or other-
 wise.

Q: What steps will you take to ensure that the up-
 coming census is fully funded, accurate, and avoids
 under-counting?

A: I will review the proposed process to be used
 for the 2020 census, and introduce legislation that
 will ensure an accurate, unbiased count through-
 out the country. This will require a large number
 of well-trained census workers, canvassing urban
 areas, and rural districts, where citizens are less
 available to be counted, or are not comfortable
 responding to census forms. The entire process
 will need to be overseen by a competent super-
 visory team, knowledgeable in the significance
 and importance of accurate census data, eager to
 maintain accurate counts and records. I will also
 include in the legislation, a spending request so
 that all necessary resources will be adequately
 funded.



NEAL TAYLOR
 GALE

GOVERNOR

(Vote for One)

TERM: 4 years **SALARY:** \$194,850

The Governor of Pennsylvania is an elected constitutional officer, the head of the executive branch and the highest state office in Pennsylvania. The Governor is popularly elected every four years by a plurality and is limited to two consecutive terms.

DUTIES: The Governor, as the chief executive officer of the Commonwealth, administers the laws and manages the financial affairs of the state, has extensive appointive powers, and may approve or veto every bill passed by both houses of the General Assembly.

DEMOCRATIC

TOM WOLF

PARTY: Democratic

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EDUCATION: Dartmouth College (BA), the University of London (MA), and M.I.T. (PhD)

QUALIFICATIONS: Business Owner, Secretary of Governor, Governor

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top 3 priorities in office?

A: Investing in our Kids and Schools: I have made clear my strong commitment to education in Pennsylvania by fully restoring education funding cuts made in the previous administration, providing unprecedented support to high-quality pre-k programs, and ensuring students are college and career ready by expanding opportunities for career and technical education. Grow Jobs and Support Workers: I have eliminated burdensome taxes on businesses like the Capital Stock and Franchise Tax and I am working to grow the economy by moving forward on large projects. I have and will continue to invest in manufacturing, apprenticeships, and workforce development initiatives. Protect Our Seniors and Access to Health Care: I took immediate action to provide health insurance to more than 720,000 Pennsylvanians by expanding Medicaid, and under my administration the commonwealth's uninsured rate is the lowest it has ever been. I have also increased opportunities for seniors to age in their homes.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: I have long supported a independent citizen's redistricting commission. We must eliminate partisan politics from the legislative redistricting process by enacting legislation to end gerrymandering by establishing an independent, bi-partisan commission to create future electoral maps. I also stood up to the House State Government Committee Republican majority's last-minute move to gut and replace House Bill 722, which was intended to create an independent redistricting commission, with a redistricting process that is more politically driven. To rebuild trust in Harrisburg, we must have fair and accessible elections for all citizens from our rural communities to our big cities.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as



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no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: Yes, I have long advocated for voting modernization. Upon coming into office, I launched online voter registration and now more than a million Pennsylvanians have used it. I also launched a voter information texting initiative and a program to get high school seniors to register to vote. I also directed the Pennsylvania Department of State to require new voting machines to have a voter-verifiable paper ballot or paper record of votes cast. I recently launched a 21st century voting reform plan that includes same day voter registration, automatic voter registration, modernization of absentee ballots, campaign finance reform, and gerrymandering reform.

REPUBLICAN

SCOTT R. WAGNER

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QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top 3 priorities in office?

A: Overhauling governmental impositions is a top priority. On day one, I will employ zero-based budgeting, introducing a transparent budget process that will make sense for taxpayers and investing in what works to end wasteful and ineffective spending. With over 153,000 regulations and a regulatory authority out of control, meaningful regulation reform must be implemented, such as my current proposal to count, cap, and reduce. Second, I have been all over Pennsylvania and I have heard my mission loud and clear, I will eliminate property taxes as Governor. Many of our children are receiving an outstanding education, but the reality is that too many students are graduating from high school without the necessary skills to be successful in college or the workforce. We must retool and redesign our education system to ensure today's students are adequately prepared to be tomorrow's adults. Without a major overhaul, we will continue to do a great disservice to our children and their educators.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: The Pennsylvania Supreme Court's decision to overstep its bounds and override the legislature by drawing its own maps did a great disservice to the citizens of Pennsylvania. In light of this travesty, I would support an independent citizens redistricting commission to ensure that Pennsylvanians will have access to fair and equal elections when it comes time to work on maps after the 2020 census.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?



SCOTT R. WAGNER

GREEN

PAUL GLOVER

PARTY: Green

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EDUCATION: Degrees in Marketing and in City Management

Qualifications: Taught Urban Studies at Temple University. Taught Ecological Economics at Philadelphia University. Founder of more than a dozen organizations for ecology and justice. Author of six books on community economic development.

CAMPAIGN WEBSITE: <http://www.paulglover.org/governor>

QUESTIONS:

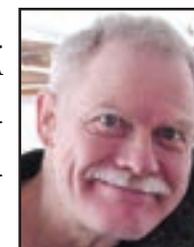
Q: What are your top 3 priorities in office?

A: 1. Shift the State budget toward ecology and justice. Aggressively fund energy efficiencies and expand tax credits for solar/wind/ cogeneration, to reduce demand for fossil fuels and end fracking. Move money from prisons to jobs and schools, and from roadbuilding to transit. 2. Fully employ all Pennsylvanians to rebuild cities, suburbs and farms toward balance with nature, partly with regional credits and regional stock exchanges, as described in my book Green Jobs Philly. I will establish the Green Labor Administration (GLAD) to employ 500,000 Pennsylvanians without raising taxes. The larger purpose is to begin the transition from the Middle Class to what i call the Mutual Class. 3. Permit formation of community-based medical cooperatives, to provide a genuinely nonprofit base for statewide universal health coverage that is affordable, democratic, and humane. This is how Canada's single payer system began.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: Support independent drafting of legislative boundaries. Computer-generated drafts should inform the Commission. Meetings should be transparent, with public welcome.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting



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technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: Favor returning to paper ballots, permitting no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day registration. The Green Party has long advocated Instant Runoff Voting, also known as Ranked Choice Voting, to end the “spoiler” argument against minor parties.

LIBERTARIAN

KEN V. KRAWCHUK

PARTY: Libertarian

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EDUCATION: B.S. Physics St. Joseph's University, Abington Citizens Police Academy

QUALIFICATIONS: Business Owner, Student of the Pennsylvania Constitution, Distinguished Toastmaster, Inventor with 3 U.S. Patents, Author, Husband, Father, Grandfather, and a good sense of humor.

CAMPAIGN WEBSITE: <https://kenk4pa.com>

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top 3 priorities in office?

A: The theme of the Krawchuk campaign is Death and Taxes. My goal is to reduce both dramatically. Under the two old parties, the cost of government has been rising on average at over 3 times the inflation rate for over 50 years. To end that trend, I promise to veto every tax increase, aggressively use the line item veto, eliminate property taxes and reduce the corporate tax. To reduce deaths, it's time to end the Opioid Crisis. Four out of five opioid deaths can be prevented by following Portugal's example and ending the insane War on Drugs. Addiction should be treated as a medical issue, not a criminal one. To help save lives, the right to keep and bear arms should be strongly supported because gun control kills. John Lott, a researcher at the University of Chicago, found that if a woman resists an attacker, she's twice as likely to be seriously injured. But if she resists with a handgun, she's half as likely to be seriously injured. In other words, handguns are a girl's best friend.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: I strongly support reforming our redistricting process. Look at any map of political districts and you can plainly see that the legislature has failed horribly in its constitutionally-mandated task to create “election districts of compact and contiguous territory”. An independent redistricting commission would certainly be a step in the right direction, but there is a better, broader solution, not only to redistricting, but also to midnight pay raises, unfair ballot access, illegal gun grabs, and more. That solution would be to re-establish the “Council of Censors” created by Benjamin Franklin. The Council was composed of two citizens from each city and county whose role was to “censure” the legislators by vetoing legislation that was not in keeping with the constitution, calling constitutional conventions, even ordering impeachments. The Council

was eliminated a few short months after Franklin's death; it would honor Pennsylvania's most famous citizen if it were re-established.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: There are two ways to subvert an election: Stop honest citizens from voting, and stop worthy candidates from running. To make certain voting is honest, I strongly support voter-verifiable ballots. The way they work, when you vote you get two printouts of your vote. One copy is yours to keep as a record, and the other is signed by the voter and kept by the state as the official record and to be used for recounts. The chances for hacking an election vanish. To encourage worthy candidates to run, ballot access for independents and third parties should be made equal to that of the two old parties, as mandated by the Pennsylvania Constitution, not two and a half to thirty-three times higher. For example, this year I needed 5,000 signatures to get my name on the ballot for governor. The statewide candidates from the two old parties only needed 1,000 or 2,000. Is that equal? Is that fair?



KEN V. KRAWCHUK

LT. GOVERNOR

(Vote for One)

TERM: 4 years

SALARY: \$63,700

DUTIES: The Lt. Governor, will be elected jointly with the Governor in the General Election. Candidates are nominated separately in the Primary. The Lt. Governor is President of the Senate, but has no vote except in case of a tie. In case of death, conviction or impeachment, failure to qualify, resignation, or other disability of the Governor, the powers, duties and salaries of the office are assumed by the Lt. Governor for the remainder of the term or until the disability is removed.

DEMOCRATIC

JOHN FETTERMAN

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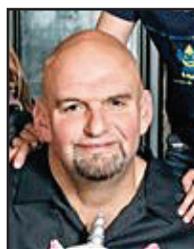
EDUCATION: Albright College 1991 Harvard University Masters in Public Policy 1999

QUALIFICATIONS: Mayor of Braddock for 13 yrs - drastically reduced food and clothing insecurity - eliminated heat insecurity this year - successfully implemented community policing model Founder of Braddock Redux Director for Out-Of-School Youth Progra

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top 3 priorities in office?

A: I will be a progressive backstop for the Governor, advocate for economic justice and our forgotten communities in Pennsylvania, and utilize and transform the office of the Lt. Governor to its fullest potential.



JOHN FETTERMAN

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: Congressional and legislative districts should be drawn to ensure that candidates and elected officials are held accountable by voters. Boundaries should protect the interests of all voters and protect voting rights, and should not show preference to one political affiliation. We recently had a huge win with redistricting in Pennsylvania. I would certainly support formalized citizen input for a more fair and unbiased redistricting process.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: I support any reform that gets more people to turn out to vote, and makes voting easier. In addition to the above measures I think we should make Election Day a holiday and get more working people to the polls.

REPUBLICAN

JEFF BARTOS

MUNICIPALITY: LOWER MERION TOWNSHIP

COUNTY: MONTGOMERY

QUESTIONS: No Response

LIBERTARIAN

KATHLEEN S. SMITH

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QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top 3 priorities in office?

A: - no response -

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: Yes, we need an independent commission. Our current method distorts the election process because most voters are denied viable choices. Defining and appointing a truly “independent” commission could be difficult; but the PA Supreme Court could get nominations from all groups that have “standing”; and then draw nine names at random (excluding party committee persons or elected officials). Final districts could reflect demographics like income, or other factors; or could ignore everything but geography. It is even possible to draw “R certain” and “D certain” districts, or “leaning” districts. The appointed commission should rank the factors that would be used to design ideal districts. Then the computer algorithms could create multiple options that are as compact as possible, while respecting most municipal, school district, and county boundaries. The commission could adjust the weightings and eventually the select a final map. The algo-

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rithm process could then be repeated every census.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: I've been a Judge of Election, and will be again when I'm not a candidate. I support "no-excuse" absentee ballots, but would limit "early" voting to one week. Elections often turn based on events late in campaigns. Most counties now use equipment that is outdated, and needs to be replaced. Since many voters worry that "connected" devices could be hacked, decreasing faith in elections, I'd suggest a form of paper ballots that did NOT use "punch-thru"s. As we know, punches cause "hanging chads" and are hard to correct. There are machines that print tickets or receipts instantly, why not ballots? One copy marked for the ballot box & a small voter's copy. Ballots could be counted in public at the precinct after the polls close, and re-counted at the courthouse for verification. Funding is already needed for new machines and more poll workers. I'm not sure that current voter verification equipment could support same day registration; but it should be explored & would increase turnout.

GREEN

JOCOLYN BOWSER-BOSTICK

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JOCOLYN BOWSER-BOSTICK

QUALIFICATIONS: I will excel as a Lt. Gov. because my scientific background and life experiences have prepared me to be a critical thinker, a leader and adept at conducting comprehensive research and reading and intelligently analyzing large amounts of data.

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top 3 priorities in office?

A: 1. Reduce the future environmental damage and human suffering from climate change and the current ruination of people's health, safety and property values by banning gas and oil fracking and the building of pipelines that carry gas or natural gas liquids. We must improve energy efficiency, use less energy, and eliminate dirty energy systems of which fossil fuels are the biggest component by becoming 100% reliant by 2050 on clean & renewable energy sources. By adopting laws such as HB2132/SB1140 that reinforce the goal of becoming solely reliant on 100% clean energy we will improve our health, save lives, and create thousands of green jobs. 2. End poverty that forces people to live in unhealthy homes, be homeless, and fear that they or their family members will have to go hungry or do without vital medical/mental health services. 3. Protect the economic, social & political rights of women, racial minorities, believers of any faith & those of any gender identity or sexual orientation.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: Yes. Citizens not holding political office should decide because voting is supposed to help maintain

a just and orderly society and they should help decide how things should work politically because the quality of their lives will be improved or destroyed based on how these districts are organized.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: There must be online & same-day registration, early voting and an election day as a holiday. The Electoral College should be eliminated but as long as we have it legislation must be passed that forces the votes of these delegates in PA to reflect the popular vote in PA. Our elections throughout PA should be decided by STAR voting and proportional representation. New voting machines must be used throughout PA that have verifiable paper ballots and are not connected to the internet.

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

(Vote for One)

TERM: 2 years **SALARY:** \$174,000

The U.S. Constitution requires that the House of Representative be composed of elected Representatives (also called Congressmen or Congresswomen) from each State. There are 435 members of the House of Representatives. The number of Representatives from each state is proportioned according to its population, with 18 Representatives from Pennsylvania. A US Representative must (1) be at least twenty-five years old, (2) have been a citizen of the United States for the past seven years, and (3) be (at the time of the election) an inhabitant of the state they represent. A Representative's term of office is 2 years.

The House of Representatives is responsible for creating the budget and initiating bills to collect taxes and other money, although all bills must pass the Senate and be signed by the President. The House is also responsible for impeaching federal officials (the Senate then tries the case) and electing the President if there is a tie in the Electoral College.

17th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRATIC

CONOR LAMB

PARTY: DEMOCRATIC
BIOGRAPHICAL INFO:
MUNICIPALITY: MT. LEBANON
COUNTY: ALLEGHENY
QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: My top three priorities in Congress will be to preserve and protect Social Security, Medicare, and affordable health care; to push for an infrastructure bill will create good jobs and repair our aging roads, bridges and locks and dams; and to take action to combat the heroin epidemic.

Q: If elected, what will you do to ensure that the voting rights of all Americans are protected and that our elections are accessible and secure from internal and external threats?

A: The right to vote is the foundation of our entire democracy. I will support efforts to ensure that all eligible Americans are free to exercise their right to vote, and I will support efforts to ensure that our elections are secure. We all know that a foreign country sought to interfere in our last election and we have



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every reason to believe they will try to interfere in our upcoming elections, yet Congress has done little to address this threat. That's unacceptable.

Q: What steps will you take to ensure that the upcoming census is fully funded, accurate, and avoids under-counting?

A: The Census is too important to be affected by partisan politics. We need a fully-funded, professionally operated Census in 2020 in order to ensure that people are accurately counted and receive proper representation. I will oppose any attempts to underfund or otherwise undermine the integrity of the Census.

REPUBLICAN

KEITH ROTHFUS

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KEITH ROTHFUS

EDUCATION: Keith graduated from the State University of New York College at Buffalo with a bachelor of science

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QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: Healthy economic growth: We are returning to healthy growth rates not seen in 20 years as a result of tax and regulatory policies. Growth creates jobs, lifts incomes, and increases revenues to the US Treasury which help enable us to meet the moral obligations we have to seniors and veterans. Immigration reform: Securing the border is essential to getting a handle on the flow of heroin and other illegal drugs coming across the Southern border. We need to prohibit the flow of drugs as well as the flow of trafficked persons. As the economy continues to grow at a healthy pace, we need to ensure a workforce that meets the demands of our economy. We now have an opportunity to resolve the status of those who came to this country as young children, through no fault of their own, and begin a skills-based immigration program that meets the needs of our economy. Fiscal responsibility: As the economy continues to recover, we should restrain increases in discretionary spending to limit the growth

Q: If elected, what will you do to ensure that the voting rights of all Americans are protected and that our elections are accessible and secure from internal and external threats?

A: I will support legislative and regulatory efforts to ensure our elections are fair and not compromised by internal or external factors. The House fully funded the Election Assistance Commission at \$380 million. That money still has not been fully spent by states through Election Assistance Grants Additionally, I voted to increase for the Countering America's Adversaries Through Sanctions Act last year which was signed into law. It has provisions that permit sanctions against Russia for undermining our cyber security. The U.S. Treasury utilizes that to impose sanctions for election interference.

Q: What steps will you take to ensure that the upcoming census is fully funded, accurate, and avoids under-counting?

A: I will support appropriations and any necessary legislation to ensure that the constitutionally-required decadal count of the American people is performed in an accurate manner.

18th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRATIC**MIKE DOYLE**

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**MIKE DOYLE**

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EDUCATION: Penn State University, BS 1975; Graduate, Leadership Pittsburgh
QUALIFICATIONS: Lifelong Pittsburgh area resident; completing 12th term as Congressman; have served on the powerful Energy and Commerce Committee since 2001; previously co-owner of small insurance agency; married over 40 years; 4 children.

QUESTIONS:**Q:** What are your top three priorities in office?

A: My top priority has always been creating jobs and strengthening our economy. As such, I have consistently supported federal education and job-training programs that prepare students for the more complicated and skill-oriented jobs of the future. And I have been an advocate for more federal funding for scientific research and the development of new technologies. Another priority is increasing federal funding to repair and modernize our nation's crumbling infrastructure. The repair backlog on our country's roads, bridges, waterways, transit systems, and water and sewer facilities is well over \$1 trillion. I have supported increased funding for such federal infrastructure programs throughout my service in Congress. Restoring net neutrality provisions that were rolled back by a recent FCC order is another priority of mine. I believe we must restore these provisions to protect and free and open internet and I have led the introduction of a bill in the House to overturn the FCC decision.

Q: If elected, what will you do to ensure that the voting rights of all Americans are protected and that our elections are accessible and secure from internal and external threats?

A: I believe making voting in elections safe, secure, and available to all Americans is imperative for our democracy. I am a co-sponsor of HR 12 which is known as the Voter Empowerment Act of 2017. This bill would go a long way to achieving this goal by enacting important measures such as requiring states to make online voter registration available and promote access to voting for people with disabilities. In addition, it would make it a federal crime to interfere with voter registration of any eligible person. This bill would also mandate the use of durable, verified paper ballots to prevent the possible hacking of voting machines by outside parties within the country or outside of it. I also support fully empowering the FBI and Justice Department to investigate and take all necessary steps to ensure no foreign government interferes with our election process. The integrity of our democracy depends upon our citizens knowing our elections are fair and secure.

Q: What steps will you take to ensure that the upcoming census is fully funded, accurate, and avoids under-counting?

A: One of the most important functions our federal government undertakes is our decennial national census. The results of the census determine allocation of federal funding, apportionment of congressional districts, and other vital designations so it is imperative that it be conducted in a comprehensive, effective, and impartial manner. I have always supported fully funding the census during my time in Congress and will continue to do so. Additionally, it is crucial that the census is as accurate as possible. Because of that I strongly oppose the recent Trump administration initiative that would add a citizenship question to the census. This could have a demonstrably negative effect on producing an accurate result. As such, earlier this year I signed onto a letter from many members of Congress to Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross opposing the addition of a citizenship question on the upcoming census.

REPUBLICAN

No Candidate Filed

SENATOR IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

(Vote for One)

TERM: 4 years **SALARY:** \$87,200

DUTIES: The General Assembly is the legislative branch of the state government. It is composed of two houses, the Senate and the House of Representatives. A majority vote of both houses is necessary to pass a law. The Senate approves executive appointments while it is in session. Senators will be elected in even-numbered districts in 2018.

38th STATE SENATORIAL DISTRICT**DEMOCRATIC****LINDSEY WILLIAMS**

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EDUCATION: B.A. Political Science & Sociology, Dickinson College J.D., Duquesne University School of Law

QUALIFICATIONS: I was raised in a union family to fight for what's right. After I was illegally fired from the National Whistleblowers Center for union organizing, I spent my career fighting for working families & public education. I want to continue that for SD 38.

QUESTIONS:**Q:** What are your top three priorities in office?

A: Priority 1: Fight for working families. This includes raising the minimum wage, protecting union rights, and expanding access to affordable health-care. Priority 2: Invest in public education. Every child deserves a high-quality education from pre-k to post-secondary programs. Priority 3: Support small businesses.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and

**LINDSEY WILLIAMS**

legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: Ultimately, I would like to see an amendment to the US Constitution that enshrines voter rights and eliminates partisan gerrymandering. In the short term, I support a nonpartisan commission to draw the state legislative and Congressional districts in Pennsylvania. Voters should pick their legislators, legislators should not pick their voters.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: Voting should be easy. There are obvious policy changes to improve the ability for people to vote, including early voting, no excuse absentee requests, pre-registration for 17-yr olds, and same day registration. Automatic voter registration for all those who use government services should be the standard. We also need to inform those who served time in prison and have a criminal record that they are eligible to vote and ensure that they are registered. Absentee ballot reform must be undertaken to reduce the opportunity of fraud. Other broader reforms, such as vote-by-mail should also be made available. DRE touchscreen machines used in most counties do not allow for meaningful recounts, are nearly impossible to audit, and are subject to being hacked fairly easily. Additional funding should be allocated to update these machines with paper ballots which are counted by an optical scan system. These paper ballots could be manually recounted and audited to verify the count accuracy.

38th STATE SENATORIAL DISTRICT**REPUBLICAN****JEREMY SHAFFER**

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EDUCATION: Ph.D. and Masters Electrical and Computer Engineering Carnegie Mellon B.S. Comp. Sci. Tulane Univ.

QUALIFICATIONS: - Ross Township Commissioner (2 Terms) - President of Ross Board of Commissioners (2 years) - Successful Small Businessman - Northland Library Foundation Board - Past Elder and Deacon at Church - Volunteer youth sports coach - see website for more

QUESTIONS:**Q:** What are your top three priorities in office?

A: 1. Lowering taxes and regulations on the citizens and small businesses of Pennsylvania to create jobs and attract new businesses with a government that is run efficiently for taxpayers...not for big money special interests and bureaucrats in Harrisburg. 2. Eliminate waste and inefficiency in government which is costing taxpayers billions and make the tough decisions to pass a truly balanced budget

**JEREMY SHAFFER**

for Pennsylvania. 3. Bring a voice to Harrisburg to protect the outstanding school districts of the 38th district to strengthen our educational system and protect district taxpayers from being forced to bail out failing and corrupt systems in other parts of the state that refuse to embrace reform.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: I could possibly support a non-partisan redistricting commission if put before the voters in a statewide election along with other reforms such as term limits and government employee pension reform to address the billions of dollars in debt that Pennsylvania now owes.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: I will support measures that make sense for working families and oppose measures that encourage voter fraud and corrupt "machine" politics.

42nd STATE SENATORIAL DISTRICT

DEMOCRATIC

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QUALIFICATIONS: Represented the 42nd Senatorial District in State Senate since 2005; Currently serve in leadership as Democratic Caucus Chair; Former member of Allegheny County Council, 1999 through 2005 (Vice President); Realtor and real estate broker by profession

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: Jobs and Economic Development; Education; Healthcare

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: Yes, I support reforming the process of redistricting in Pennsylvania. I am co-sponsor of several redistricting reform measures for both Congressional and state legislative districts including SB 22, SB 243, SB 464 and SB 767. I believe the latest situation with the state Supreme Court decision ruling that our current Congressional map was heavily gerrymandered and the fact that US federal courts agreed is proof that we need to change the way the process is done in order to create fair districts and honor the ideal of proper representation of Pennsylvania citizens.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as

no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: I support no-excuse absentee ballots, same day voter registration, requiring a statement of voters' rights in polling places and legislation to have PennDOT inform individuals who will be turning 18 of their ability to register to vote, giving employees the right to take a limited time off of work on election to ensure they are able to vote without consequence by their employer and early voting measures. In fact, I introduced SB 440 which would allow for early voting for up to two weeks prior to an election in Pennsylvania. I also support other reform measures such as campaign finance reform.

42nd STATE SENATORIAL DISTRICT

REPUBLICAN

No Candidate Filed

REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

(Vote for One)

TERM: 2 years

SALARY: \$87,200

DUTIES: The General Assembly is the legislative branch of the state government. It is composed of two houses, the Senate and the House of Representatives. A majority vote of both houses is necessary to pass a law. Every law concerned with taxation must originate in the House of Representatives.

16th STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

DEMOCRATIC

ROBERT F. MATZIE

MUNICIPALITY: AMBRIDGE

COUNTY: BEAVER

QUESTIONS: No Response

REPUBLICAN

No Candidate Filed

19th STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

DEMOCRATIC

Jake Wheatley

MUNICIPALITY: PITTSBURGH

COUNTY: ALLEGHENY

QUESTIONS: No Response

REPUBLICAN

No Candidate Filed

16th STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

DEMOCRATIC

ADAM J. RAVENSTAHL

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EDUCATION: Robert Morris University - 2007 - Business Management - magna cum laude

QUALIFICATIONS: I have been a State Representative since 2010 and feel that I have done a good job.

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: 1. Education Funding 2. Fighting for an Inclusive Pennsylvania 3. Raising the Minimum Wage and Tackling the Opioid Epidemic

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: I support an independent citizen's redistricting commission. I am a co-sponsor of House Bill 722 (Fair Districts) which would establish an Independent Redistricting Commission to provide a non-partisan process for redistricting.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: I would support all of the reforms mentioned above. I am a co-sponsor of several bills that would make sure our elections are accessible, efficient and secure. I believe we should be making it easier to vote instead of adding barriers. I also am supportive of automatic voter registration.

REPUBLICAN

No Candidate Filed

21st STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

DEMOCRATIC

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COUNTY: ALLEGHENY

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EDUCATION: Business Degree from the University of Pittsburgh (magna cum laude)

QUALIFICATIONS: Owner of Innamo Co, a com-



ADAM J. RAVENSTAHL



WAYNE D. FONTANA



SARA INNAMORATO

munications and nonprofit consultant business. I work with organizations that are dedicated to serving the public with a people-first approach. I have helped organize community members doing good work to do even more of it.

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: **HEALTHY FAMILIES** I will push Harrisburg to solve our healthcare crisis by any means necessary, including Medicare For All, and advocate for victims of the opioid epidemic with compassionate and comprehensive treatment. **HEALTHY COMMUNITIES** I will empower small businesses, fight to establish a living wage, defend public education, oppose cuts to vital environmental efforts that protect our air and water, and champion affordable housing legislation. **HEALTHY GOVERNMENT** I will demand financial integrity and transparency from our state government, propose laws to fight campaign finance corruption, and recruit more strong leaders across PA who reflect our diverse landscape.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: Yes. For too long legislators have used voting rights and our democracy as a bargaining chip to serve their own interests. We experienced that last time both Republican and Democratic legislators voted in favor of a 2011 Congressional map which is arguable one of the most unfair maps drawn in modern day history, which Representative D. Costa voted in favor of*. I support an independent council, which would attempt to remove politics from drawing a fair district map. We must ensure that it is comprised of members who are representative of the state of Pennsylvania and remain free from political influence. Source: House Votes for SB 1249 (12/20/2011)

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: I fully support Governor Tom Wolf's 21st century voting plan, which includes same-day registration, automatic voter registration and no-excuse absentee ballots. In addition, I believe that in order to make our democracy truly accessible, we need open primaries. To ensure our elections are secure, we need to update our voting machines, guarantee there is a paper trail and update the process for updating voter roles. One of the many reasons why we've seen decreased voter turnout over the years is because citizens have lost faith in their government due to lack of transparency. Investing in creating a more secure, efficient and accessible voting process is a massive step we can take to restore the public's faith in our state government.

REPUBLICAN

No Candidate Filed

23rd STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT**DEMOCRATIC****DAN B. FRANKEL****PARTY:** DEMOCRATIC**BIOGRAPHICAL INFO:****MAILING ADDRESS:** PO Box 81594 Pittsburgh,

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Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: 1. Protect the fundamental civil rights of Pennsylvania men and women. Ensuring all Pennsylvanians are protected by law from discrimination, and violations of their ability to lead free, full lives. 2. Promote reforms to the health care system that support full access to health care for all Pennsylvanians, regardless of income, geographic location, gender or race; while making our system transparent and improving value. 3. Supporting measures that enhance public health and make our community's safer. These include common sense gun safety reforms, for example, as well as those evidence-based measures that we know enhance health and well-being, like access to clean air and healthy food.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: I have co-sponsored legislation supporting a citizen's redistricting commission for Pennsylvania. I am delighted by the energy around voting reform, and would like to see a broader community dialogue addressing questions of what Pennsylvanians believe would constitute "fair" districts, a word absent from our constitution but very present in the minds of reformers.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: Ensuring our election process is secure and fair is a critical responsibility of our government. I am in favor of no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration and funding voting technology upgrades for our counties. We would ensure that our system errs on the side of encouraging systems to participate in the political system, not disenfranchising voters. Missing from the above list, however, one of the more important election reforms - Campaign Finance.

**DAN B. FRANKEL****DATE OF BIRTH:** September 21, 1990**MUNICIPALITY:** Pittsburgh**COUNTY:** Allegheny**WEBSITE:** <http://jaytingwalker.com>**TWITTER:** twitter.com/jaytingwalker**FACEBOOK:** <http://www.facebook.com/jaytingwalker>**EDUCATION:** Studied Biology and Economics at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. Stuyvesant High School.

QUALIFICATIONS: I'm a young educated working class person of color. I'm also a Civic Leadership Academy graduate, a Pittsburgh Ultimate board member, a member of DSA, a member of Pittsburghers for Public Transit and Allegheny County Transit Council vice president.

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QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: 1. Lead a regional and eventually statewide discussion on ending fracking in Pennsylvania and develop a plan to transition our state to 100% renewable energy by 2035. 2. Advocate for and pass statewide single payer healthcare (HB1688) as promoted by Healthcare 4 All PA. This bill would create a health care system that is not for profit and that would allow Pennsylvanian residents to see any doctor they would like. 3. Advocate for and pass a ban on lobbyist gifts to legislators (HB39) as promoted by March on Harrisburg to begin to address the massive corporate influence that exists in Harrisburg politics.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: I absolutely support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission. The conflict of interest of our legislators or legislative leaders drawing district lines is too great and only a process that is completely independent from the legislature can draw fair lines that don't benefit one party or another. I support the unamended independent redistricting bills being pushed by Fair Districts PA, March on Harrisburg, and Common Cause PA.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: I support no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, and same day voter registration. In addition, I support vote by mail and automatic voter registration. Accessible, efficient, and secure voting systems are extremely important for democracy in our state. Our current system of voter registration disenfranchises many people for a variety of reasons. Increasing the ease of voting will increase voter turnout in our state and is absolutely worth doing. Our elections should utilize ranked choice voting so the most preferred candidate wins in the primary and general elections. In addition our voting machines need to have a paper trail so the results can be verified. County voting machine upgrades will need state funding to occur and I would vote for that funding. Lastly I support publicly financed elections to reduce the influence of money in our Democracy.

**JAY TING WALKER**

24th STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT**DEMOCRATIC****EDWARD GAINNEY****MUNICIPALITY:** PITTSBURGH**COUNTY:** ALLEGHENY**QUESTIONS:** No Response**REPUBLICAN**

No Candidate Filed

25th STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT**DEMOCRATIC****BRANDON J. MARKOSEK****MUNICIPALITY:** MONROEVILLE**COUNTY:** ALLEGHENY**QUESTIONS:** No Response**REPUBLICAN****STEVE SCHLAUCH****MUNICIPALITY:** PLUM BORO**COUNTY:** ALLEGHENY**QUESTIONS:** No Response**27th STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT****DEMOCRATIC****DAN DEASY****MUNICIPALITY:** CITY OF PITTSBURGH**COUNTY:** ALLEGHENY**QUESTIONS:** No Response**REPUBLICAN**

No Candidate Filed

28th STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT**DEMOCRATIC****EMILY SKOPOV****PARTY:** DEMOCRATIC**BIOGRAPHICAL INFO:****MAILING ADDRESS:** 3000 Village Rd. Unit 103, #229 Wexford, PA 15090**CAMPAIGN PHONE:** (724) 241-8151**CAMPAIGN EMAIL:** emily@**ELECTEMILY4PA.COM****DATE OF BIRTH:** 10/16/1966**MUNICIPALITY:** MARSHALL**TOWNSHIP****COUNTY:** ALLEGHENY**WEBSITE:** <http://electemily4pa.com>**TWITTER:** twitter.com/eskopov16**FACEBOOK:** [http://facebook.com/ElectEmily4PA](https://facebook.com/ElectEmily4PA)**EDUCATION:** Columbia University, BA, English Literature UCLA, MA, Screenwriting**QUALIFICATIONS:** I founded and run No Crayon Left Behind, a nonprofit that provides art supplies for academic and creative purposes to disadvantaged youths and communities in need locally and globally.**QUESTIONS:****Q:** What are your top three priorities in office?**A:** My top priority is to restore bipartisanship and cooperation to state government, because the status quo has led to partisan gridlock, resulting in**EMILY SKOPOV**

delayed budgets and repeated credit downgrades. I am committed to ensuring that every child receives a quality education regardless of where they live or their families' economic circumstances. If elected, I will work to bring down healthcare costs which will allow more Pennsylvanians to obtain the insurance coverage they need to live healthy, vibrant lives.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?**A:** I support reforming our redistricting process by creating a non-partisan, independent commission to guarantee that legislative and congressional districts are drawn in a fair, non-partisan manner. It is clear the process is broken, which is why the Pennsylvania Supreme Court nullified the badly gerrymandered congressional districts we previously had. It is vital to our democracy that citizens get to choose their elected representatives, rather than have politicians in back rooms choose their voters to gain a partisan advantage.**Q:** Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?**A:** We need to make voting easier, not hard. That is why I strongly support modernizing how people vote. If elected, I would vote in favor of early voting, expanded absentee voting, vote by mail, same-day voter registration, and automatic voter registration. In addition to making it easier to vote, we must guarantee that Pennsylvanians have confidence in their election. We must invest in technology to prevent hacking of our voting and voter registration systems, and every voting machine must provide a paper receipt to guarantee elections results are accurate.**REPUBLICAN****MIKE TURZAI****PARTY:** REPUBLICAN**BIOGRAPHICAL INFO:****MAILING ADDRESS:** P.O. Box 92 Harrisburg, PA 17108**CAMPAIGN PHONE:** (412) 573-9326**CAMPAIGN EMAIL:** election2018@miketurzai.com**DATE OF BIRTH:** 8/2/1959**MUNICIPALITY:** MARSHALL**TOWNSHIP****COUNTY:** ALLEGHENY**WEBSITE:** www.pafightsback.com**TWITTER:** @miketurzai**FACEBOOK:** [http://fightsback](https://facebook.com/fightsback)**EDUCATION:** University of Notre Dame, B.A., 1981; Duke University, J.D., 1987**OCCUPATION:** Speaker of the House**QUALIFICATIONS:** Pennsylvania Speaker of the House**QUESTIONS:** No Response**MIKE TURZAI****30th STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT****DEMOCRATIC****BETSY MONROE****PARTY:** DEMOCRATIC**BIOGRAPHICAL INFO:****MAILING ADDRESS:** 269 Kittanning Pike Pittsburgh, PA 15215**CAMPAIGN PHONE:** 412-652-5743**CAMPAIGN EMAIL:** betsymonroecampaign@gmail.com**DATE OF BIRTH:** 5/5/1970**MUNICIPALITY:** FOX CHAPEL**COUNTY:** ALLEGHENY**WEBSITE:** <http://www.BetsyMonroe.com>**TWITTER:** twitter.com/betsy-monroe**FACEBOOK:** [http://www.facebook.com/BetsyMonroePA/](https://facebook.com/BetsyMonroePA/)**EDUCATION:** Master's in Health Administration and Master's in Business Administration

- University of Pittsburgh

QUALIFICATIONS: As a healthcare analyst and supervisor, I've worked for more than a decade to make healthcare better and more affordable for 100,000 senior citizens across PA. And as a married mother of three, I understand what our working families need to succeed.**QUESTIONS:****Q:** What are your top three priorities in office?**A:** 1. Politicians make promises to win elections, but once in office they don't represent us. They instead represent lobbyists, party leaders, and corporations. My first priority in office will be holding representatives accountable by ending gerrymandering and curtailing money in politics. 2. Our growing overdose epidemic is a healthcare problem, and we need to tackle it with treatment not just prison. I support harm reduction techniques including the distribution of naloxone, but preventing deaths through revival is not enough. We must guarantee that every individual affected by addiction has access to long-term medical treatment. 3. Harrisburg has sold us out to fossil fuel lobbyists and polluters who value their profits over our health. I support bringing our environmental protections up to par with other states by improving regulation and enforcing regular safety inspections of fracking sites. We must also guarantee access to lead-free water for all students in their local schools.**Q:** Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?**A:** Yes. When politicians don't have to listen to their voters, we get what we have today: gridlock, hyperpartisanship, and an ineffective legislature. It's frustrating that representatives in Harrisburg listen more to the wants of Harrisburg lobbyists than to the needs of working families like mine. Gerrymandering removes political accountability, and it's time for that to change because elected representatives should work for their communities, not their donors. I strongly support Fair Districts PA's legislation to end political gerrymandering once and for all, and an independent citizen's redistricting commission is necessary to stop both Republicans and Democrats from enacting partisan gerrymanders. An independent commission that draws our legislative and congressional districts through a nonpartisan, transparent process will make sure that every vote counts, not just those of megadonors and party leaders.**Q:** Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?**A:** Allegheny County purchased its 4,700 electronic voting machines in 2006 before the first iPhone came out. These machines are still in use today, and just like any outdated technology, cybersecurity experts have shown that these obsolete systems are vulnerable to cyberattacks and malfunctions. Even**BETSY MONROE**

so, local officials have failed to invest in secure and verifiable voting systems which include a paper record. That's unacceptable, and I support protecting our elections by updating our machines. We should also update our voter registration deadlines to take advantage of modern registration systems. With instantaneous voter registration available online, voters should be able to register anytime and anywhere, including at their polling place. But the polling place on election day shouldn't be the only way for voters to exercise their right. We should reform our burdensome absentee voting regulations so that any resident can vote at the time and place most convenient for them.

REPUBLICAN

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LORI A. MIZGORSKI

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QUALIFICATIONS: 9 years – Shaler Township Board of Commissioners, 5 years – District Director/Manager, PA House 30th Legislative District, 9 years – North Hills Council of Governments, 2 years – Conservation & Natural Resources Advisory Council

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: Three of my priorities are advocating for education funding and school safety, promoting job creation and economic development, and protecting taxpayers and small businesses from tax increases.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: I support the creation of an independent redistricting commission to remove direct political involvement in the process.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: I support no excuse absentee voting as there are many situations that occur that are not included at this time.

32nd STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

DEMOCRATIC

ANTHONY M. DELUCA

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EDUCATION: Westinghouse High School, Community College of Allegheny COUNTY

QUALIFICATIONS: State Representative, 1983 - Present, Penn Hills Deputy Mayor, 1976-1980

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: 1. Economic development and local job creation. 2. Enabling greater transparency in prescription drug pricing to help lower consumer costs. 3. Pre-employment drug screening for all school employees.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: Yes, I support an independent citizen's redistricting commission here in the Commonwealth. Having an independent redistricting commission would eliminate both Republican and Democratic gerrymandering of both congressional and legislative districts. Elimination of gerrymandering would ensure each citizen's vote counts equally.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: I have been a dedicated advocate for voting modernization in the Commonwealth. During this term, two of my bills directly relate to voting modernization. House Bills 945 and 946 would ensure that all eligible citizens can vote and it is easy for them to do so. This would be accomplished by allowing same day voter registration and allowing for early voting. We should be making it easier for people to participate in their government, not more difficult.

REPUBLICAN

No Candidate Filed

33rd STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

DEMOCRATIC

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COUNTY: ALLEGHENY
EDUCATION: Columbia University, N.Y., B.A., History 1973 Indiana University School of Law, Bloomington, J.D. 1982

QUALIFICATIONS: Former Assistant District Attorney, Allegheny County Former District Justice, Oakmont and Verona Former Legal Advisor, Allegheny County District Justices Chairman, Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: Making sure Pennsylvania has good family



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sustaining jobs and that our schools are safe and teachers have the support and resources they need to teach and train students to fill jobs. Making sure our state's tax policy becomes fairer. Pennsylvania's working men and women shouldn't pay more taxes so that corporations can pay less. Fair tax policies move the economy forward which benefits everyone. Making sure we fully support those who have fought and worked for us - our veterans and our seniors. Our veterans put their lives on the line to defend us and keep us safe. We must make sure when they return home they receive the support they deserve. Our seniors who worked hard their whole lives need to be secure in their retirement with affordable access to the health care and prescription drugs they need.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: Our congressional and legislative redistricting processes must be fair and transparent and when voters go to the polls our democracy works best if they have meaningful choices among candidates on the ballot.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: I support all the voting modernization reforms listed here. Our laws need to guarantee every citizen's right to vote and that our elections are fair, transparent and secure. These reforms all work to achieve that goal and that is why I support them.

REPUBLICAN

JOSHUA R. NULPH

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COUNTY: ALLEGHENY

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EDUCATION: Highlands High School, Life Insurance License, Liberty University (Obtaining Bachelor's Degree)

QUALIFICATIONS: Retirement Advisor for Safety First Retirement, Harrison Township Recreation Board Chairman, PA GOP Faith Outreach Team campaign website: www.nulpforhouse.com

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: 1. Property tax reform, the opioid epidemic, and job growth.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: 2. I support enacting commonsense, constitutional reform of congressional redistricting. We can certainly agree, redistricting should not be used as a tool to create life time politicians. Reforms should be fair, transparent, and accountable.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as



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no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: 3. Voting modernization is a necessity being delayed. With increasing threats to our electoral process, we need to ensure a fair, safe and accurate election that enables people proper access to their right to vote. Reforms such as early voting, and no excuse absentee voting are needed in the state of Pennsylvania to guarantee people the ability to share their voice.

34th STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

DEMOCRATIC

SUMMER LEE

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EDUCATION: Woodland Hills High School (2005), Penn State (2009), Howard University School of Law (2015)

QUALIFICATIONS: Organized the successful effort to transform the Woodland Hills School Board through a write-in campaign. Organized fast food workers in Allegheny County. Worked as a field organizer with the PA Democratic Party. Law degree from Howard University.

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: Free, high-quality public education for all, pre-kindergarten through college -Clean air and clean water - including implementing a fracking moratorium and fully funding the Department of Environmental Protection -Criminal and juvenile justice reform, particularly dismantling the school-to-prison pipeline and "decarcerating" Pennsylvania Our communities are faced with under-resourced schools and a dearth of employment opportunities. Without access to high-quality free education for all, without access to decent employment, without access to healthcare, our communities and our children will continue to be left behind. Too often, those are left behind find themselves caught up in a justice system that was built to punish rather than rehabilitate; that drains resources which could be going toward solving the pressing problems faced by our communities.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: I do. Gerrymandering has effectively disenfranchised millions of people across this country, whose votes have been thoroughly neutered through "creative" districting. While the lawsuit that resulted in the new Congressional districts is certainly progress, we have not solved the fundamental issue. The next redistricting, if it proceeds along the same



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lines as the old, will create the same problems. On top of this, the lawsuit has not fixed our legislative districts. My district, for example, is conspicuously drawn to exclude black voters in Hazelwood - who are lumped in with residents of the Hill District, the North Side, and the Hilltop. Gerrymandering is not simply a partisan issue. It disenfranchises voters in primary and general elections alike, all for the same purpose: incumbency protection. I am not interested in helping incumbents avoid competitive elections, and I fully support redistricting reform

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: No-excuse absentee voting, along with early voting, will be my top priorities. We have a large number of people in my community whose work schedule makes voting a severe burden, if not an impossibility. Same day voter registration is critical in my community. With a transient population, the deadlines imposed on registration have the result of disenfranchising a large number of voters who cannot spend large amounts of time keeping up with our election calendar. I also support investigating systems, such as ranked-choice voting and multi-member districts, that would overcome the "spoiler" effects that we have seen in recent elections, where marginal candidates' vote shares result in candidates that would not have won a majority in a head-to-head winning election. Finally, ensuring the integrity of our election process is a must; Allegheny County, for example, lacks a paper trail, making election counts difficult to verify. Accurate vote counts should be a given.

REPUBLICAN

No Candidate Filed

35th STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

DEMOCRATIC

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QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: Job Creation Improving our Education System Transportation

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: Yes.



AUSTIN DAVIS

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: I would support all of the measures listed above. I am currently a co-sponsor of a number of those reforms in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives.

REPUBLICAN

No Candidate Filed

36th STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

DEMOCRATIC

HARRY READSHAW

MUNICIPALITY: PITTSBURGH

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QUESTIONS: No Response

REPUBLICAN

No Candidate Filed

38th STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

DEMOCRATIC

BILL KORTZ

MUNICIPALITY: DRAVOSBURG

COUNTY: ALLEGHENY

QUESTIONS: No Response

REPUBLICAN

No Candidate Filed

39th STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

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QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: Middle Class Jobs: An inextricable link exists between dynamic labor unions and a flourishing middle class. The Allegheny County Labor Council has endorsed me because my commitment to working families is unequivocal. The natural gas



ROB RHODERICK

industry in my district is burgeoning, and I will hold businesses accountable when it comes to hiring local workers, paying a prevailing wage, and operating safely. Education: As a former school director, I led in cultivating and implementing a rigorous STEM program in my district. I will always fight for equitable public school funding to prepare young innovators and entrepreneurs to be tomorrow's leaders. Infrastructure: Modernizing infrastructure is a proven macroeconomic stabilization tool. These investments create union jobs, increase production capabilities in both the public and private sectors, stimulate local economies, and address longstanding public health concerns.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: The United States boasts a proud tradition of combating injustice and defending the central tenets of democratic ideals. I doubt the framers envisioned a system in which politicians and their special interest allies so openly flouted basic rights in favor of partisan gerrymandering. Elections are to be free and fair, without concerted efforts to model districts after constellations. I support implementing the independent commission and will challenge any elected official who doesn't.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: Antiquated technology in disadvantaged communities coupled with the purging of voter rolls have disenfranchised too many for too long. Automatic registration is the reform most suited for promoting participation in our democracy. I also support pre-registration at driver's license centers so that when citizens turn eighteen, they can vote unencumbered. We possess the technology to make our elections more accessible and secure. We now must implement it.

REPUBLICAN

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EDUCATION: BA in Communication from Seton Hill University

QUALIFICATIONS: 3rd generation businessman, politically active within a number of political organizations as well as the co chair of the Elizabeth Township Republican Committee.

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: My three main priorities are economic development/tax reform, infrastructure improvements, and improving school safety.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an in-

dependent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: I am opposed to changing to a citizen's redistricting commission. Currently, the pa house is structured to have small districts that are intended to reflect the makeup of our commonwealth electorate. The responsibility should fall on those we elect, pursuant to the laws in place.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: I am open to reform as long as it is inline with our constitution, and ensures a fair and transparent election process.

40th STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

DEMOCRATIC

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QUALIFICATIONS: Educator in public and parochial schools throughout the District, 30-year resident of Peters Township, devoted mother of two grown daughters, community volunteer, emergency foster parent, newcomer to political office. Ready to listen, work, and serve

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: I understand the challenges facing residents of the 40th District. My policies put people first, not special interests or lobbyists. First, we must invest in the workforce of the future through education. As a teacher, I am uniquely qualified to work for world-class educations for our children, make sure we properly fund public education, and reduce crushing debts on college students. Second, to ensure the health of our citizens, including the workforce of today, it's essential all residents have affordable and high-quality care. I favor the Medicaid expansion, which has helped many in our state, and also coverage of mental health conditions and treatment and prevention of opioid addiction. Third, I support our seniors, the workforce of the past. They've been paying into safety net programs, which should not be cut. Lower drug prices and programs that help seniors age in their own homes are cost-effective. Seniors need a strong voice in Harrisburg and I am ready to be that voice.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: Yes, I favor an independent citizen's redistricting commission in Pennsylvania for both congress-

sional and legislative districts. It's time to take partisan politics out of the redistricting process and restore the principle of one person, one vote. When sitting legislators draw district maps, it's the politicians who benefit, not the voters. Legislators choose their voters instead of voters choosing representatives, which is wrong, regardless of the party in power. Elections cease to be competitive. Poor representation leaves people feeling their voices aren't heard and sows voter apathy and government gridlock. Several other states have established non-partisan citizen commissions and seen positive results: greater transparency in the redistricting process, more voter trust, and increased public acceptance of district maps. 80% of Pennsylvanians across the political spectrum support redistricting reform. A citizen's redistricting commission would be fairer than our current system.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: Voter participation is fundamental to our democracy and promotes good government. I support voting modernization reforms as long as they increase voter participation and maintain or improve the integrity of our voting systems. Online and same-day voter registration options reduce costs and data entry errors by eliminating pen and paper forms. Same-day registration increases voter turnout and helps clean up voter registration records. Other states have implemented no-excuse absentee voting and early voting. These options give voters more flexibility, especially seniors and people with heavy workloads or small children, while reducing the stress on election offices and workers. Americans are questioning how safe voting machines are from cyber-attack. I believe voting machines should have paper records and that other steps to ensure their security must be taken. We must have faith in our voting systems. The technology to modernize these systems is available and should be funded.

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EDUCATION: BA University of Pittsburgh JD Appalachian School of Law

QUALIFICATIONS: As a veteran of the US Navy, former prosecutor, wife and mom of three, I bring a unique set of life experiences to the table and a fresh perspective for Pennsylvania.

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: 1. I began practicing law in the Allegheny County District Attorney's Office, prosecuting criminal cases and putting violent offenders behind bars. It was here where I began to see the complete devastation the opioid epidemic has placed, not only on our

criminal justice system, but on every facet of society from our on our families and to our economy. We cannot afford to stand by and wait for action and my experience has uniquely qualified me to help build solutions. 2. I understand that our state is quite literally bankrupt. We can't pass a balanced budget without accounting tricks and, when we use those tricks, we're only fooling ourselves. We need zero based budgeting and control spending. 3. This district is the home to some of the best school districts in the state and I will fight to keep it that way. We need an advocate to implement reforms that will ensure our tax dollars end up in our classrooms, rather than unnecessarily wasting it on a disjointed health and pension system

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: Redistricting isn't just a local problem or even a state problem, but an issue that is receiving national attention—for too long (and on both sides of the aisle) there has been irresponsible redistricting. While I'm not certain that a citizen commission wouldn't eventually be corrupted by the same partisan motivation (Who appoints these persons? For how long do they serve in this capacity? Who keeps them accountable—if they aren't elected, what repercussion do they suffer for dishonest redistricting [unlike a politician, who can be voted out]?). I'm for a fair and equitable process, working with other elected officials (irrespective of party affiliation) and for keeping this vital responsibility in the hands of legislation (and out of the hands of activist judges.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: Secure voting is a must—when the integrity of the voting process is in question, democracy itself suffers. Fair and free elections are a bedrock of our country. Funding for modernization of antiquated/unreliable machines and for measures related to maintaining secure and honest elections must be sufficient. At present, Pennsylvania has absentee voting, but requires an excuse. The current PA absentee ballot has allowances for those voters who are ill/disabled and for those who will be unavailable on primary or election dates, due to their business, occupation or duties. Additionally, there is an alternate ballot available for those voters aged 65 years and older and who don't have accessible polling places. As a working mother of three, and with a husband who also works, I am intimately aware of the challenges of making it to a polling place—but, because I served to protect the right to vote in free and fair elections, I know the importance of keeping it a priority in my life.

42nd STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

DEMOCRATIC

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QUALIFICATIONS: Former Mt. Lebanon Commissioner, current volunteer firefighter, three terms in the state House and membership on the Judiciary, Education, Labor, Human Services, and Children and Youth Committees.

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: 1. Fighting for disability, mental health, and addiction parity and support.

2. Improving education and career readiness

3. Advancing family sustaining job opportunities

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: I support an independent redistricting commission. Pennsylvania has had its state maps and its federal maps invalidated in the past decade and I think the best way to reaffirm the public's faith in the system is to remove politicians from the table as much as possible.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: I support no-excuse absentee voting, same day voter registration, and state assistance in updating voting technology to make elections more accessible, efficient, and secure.

REPUBLICAN

No Candidate Filed

44th STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

DEMOCRATIC

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QUALIFICATIONS: I'm an educator experienced in preschool, elementary school and university. Additionally, I served for years as an elected school board member, enhancing student achievement while providing wise fiscal management for a multi-million-dollar district.

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: I will prioritize quality improvements across all levels of education, including technological and higher education, while finding reliable funding sources to keep costs down. I will actively support



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job training and retraining for workers to boost PA's economy, promoting the solid apprenticeship training already provided by unions.

Pennsylvanians deserve the health benefits provided by clean air, water and land. The sustainability of these resources relies on a strong Department of Environmental Protection. I will support measures to adequately fund and staff this department, preserving these natural resources.

Expanding development of solar energy and wind power will open up new job sources while also protecting our environment. I'll ensure that unions are involved in this expansion, with hardworking Pennsylvanians at the forefront of these new positions. Local workers will lead the charge in seeing that safe work sites, located nearby their own homes will be maintained properly.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: I support an impartial citizen's redistricting commission. The method laid out by Fair Districts PA suggests that 11 members would be chosen to sit on the commission: 4 Republicans, 4 Democrats, and 3 members unaffiliated with the major parties. The applicants would be randomly selected by the Secretary of State of the Commonwealth from pools of qualified candidates, vetted for bias or conflicts of interest. To be eligible, one must not have served in a political office, or run for office or have a spouse who has served or run in the previous 5 years. Once the commission is selected, the members would redraw the districts from a database that does not reveal citizens' political parties. Removing politics from the process will create a fair redistricting.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: I would support changes that permit no excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration and funding for voting technology upgrades. All these measures would improve our system by ensuring fair and accessible opportunities to vote. I also favor Governor Wolf's proposal to offer automatic registration when registering for a driver's license. Removing barriers to voting will increase participation in elections. Antiquated voting rules have disenfranchised citizens and made them feel as though their vote is not important. Common sense approaches will give people a reason to participate in democracy by voting.

REPUBLICAN

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QUALIFICATIONS: Valerie is a 3rd-generation



VALERIE GAYDOS

Allegheny County resident and 25-year business owner. As an entrepreneur and investor she has a proven track record of building businesses, nurturing the private sector economy, and creating jobs in lean environments.

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: Fight for Fiscal Accountability •Balanced budgets and responsible spending •Limit spending growth to inflation and population •End taxpayer funded perks and special treatment for elected officials •Reduce the size of the legislature •Restore sanity to the budgeting process Strengthen PA's Business Climate •Lower taxes to enable Pennsylvania to remain competitive with other states •Reduce paperwork and mandates that strangle business growth •Provide affordable healthcare options to small businesses - allow pooling to purchase lower cost health insurance policies •Fight for policies that attract new jobs and residents to Pennsylvania Serve as the People's Advocate •Defend individual rights from government overreach •Protect personal freedoms and conservative values •Strengthen laws protecting Pennsylvania seniors and support eldercare •Support educational initiatives that prepare our students for the future

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: Currently, the Pennsylvania Constitution gives the legislature the authority to draw the maps during redistricting. I would support a constitutional amendment to create an independent nonpartisan commission to handle redistricting every 10 years. Hopefully, the outcome would be a more independent process to ensure that all citizens of the Commonwealth are represented equally.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: I would support any modernization that would adequately protect the integrity of the election process.

45th STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

DEMOCRATIC

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ANITA ASTORINO KULIK

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QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: Education: As the daughter of two dedicated educators, my belief in the spirit of learning is unwavering. In Harrisburg, I have been relentless in demanding that our students and teachers receive the funding and resources needed to succeed. I will continue fighting for early childhood education, students with special needs, and equitable funding. Revitalizing Main Streets: I have proposed grant funding for the removal of blighted properties in my district to promote new business development, encourage entrepreneurship, and foster a newfound sense of community. Main streets were the staples of our neighborhoods, with investments in infrastructure, they will be again. Veterans/First Responders: I proudly serve on the House Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness Committee and have endorsed measures to expand Veteran benefits. My sentiments extend to first responders. I was thrilled to announce the awarding of over \$155,000 in fire department and EMS grants for my district.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: An independent commission is an essential step towards restoring trust and transparency to our fundamental democratic processes. While humorous nicknames have accompanied the misshapen districts, there is nothing funny about seeking to effectively disenfranchise millions of voters. Tasking an independent body with redistricting efforts will remove politics from the process.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: As an attorney with a particular interest in civil liberties, I unequivocally support initiatives that make participation in our democracy easier. From suffragettes to freedom riders, this nation has a storied history of fighting for the vote. The technology and data sets exist to implement both automatic registration and uniform standards to guarantee accuracy. The funding for these upgrades would be modest compared to the benefits.

REPUBLICAN

No Candidate Filed

46th STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

DEMOCRATIC

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QUALIFICATIONS: Working father, community

leader, and advocate for working families looking to bring opportunity to the 46th District.

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: Public Education: Public education is undoubtedly the primary mechanism for promoting upward economic mobility. My education platform focuses on providing free, high quality early childhood education coupled with modern funding strategies to ensure the efficient allocation of resources. Providing increased funding at the state level will help immensely. Economic Development: Organized labor is the backbone of the middle class. Union advocacy saved my mother's job. In Harrisburg, I will vehemently oppose all right to work legislation while passionately advocating for safe working conditions and a living wage. I am committed to revamping once vibrant main streets through small business grants. Common Sense: Voters are tired of the constant gridlock and grandstanding emanating from Harrisburg. My campaign focuses on offering common sense solutions while ushering in transparency and accountability. I pledge to lead with integrity and will support no budget, no pay legislation.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: I fully support the implementation of an independent redistricting commission to help guarantee the protection of fundamental constitutional rights. Representatives, and their special interest allies, have chosen their voters for far too long.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: Current policies disproportionately disenfranchise the poor, people of color, and people with disabilities. Our nation's technology is unparalleled and should be employed to enhance participation in our elections. I am a proponent of automatic registration with secure online access to update voter information. We have the data and infrastructure to register any eligible citizen who has interacted with the government. These measures are simple, cost effective, and long overdue. We fought for democracy, not a plutocracy. We need to make voting easier, not harder.

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QUALIFICATIONS: Small business owner, two-term state representative

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: Creating family sustaining jobs, strengthening the states education system, and making the state budget work for the people of Pennsylvania.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

A: I believe the process of redistricting can and should be improved.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: Last session, I proposed a bill to conduct a study of the states current voting equipment and to provide recommendations on how to improve voting equipment in the future along with a cost estimate to replace the current equipment.

54th STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT**DEMOCRATIC****JON MCCABE****PARTY:** DEMOCRAT**BIOGRAPHICAL INFO:****MAILING ADDRESS:** 759 Wildlife Lodge Rd Lower Burrell, PA 15068**DATE OF BIRTH:** March 31st, 1996**MUNICIPALITY:** LOWER BURRELL**COUNTY:** WESTMORELAND**WEBSITE:** <http://mccabeforPA.com>**TWITTER:** twitter.com/mccabeforpa**FACEBOOK:** [HTTP://MCCABEFORPA](http://MCCABEFORPA)**EDUCATION:** Jon will be graduating from Penn

State New Kensington with an honors psychology degree in May.

QUALIFICATIONS: Founder of the student organization My Vote Matters. President of the Psychology Club and Psi Chi Honors Club. Member of Student Government. Member of Eastern Psychological Association.

QUESTIONS:

Q: What are your top three priorities in office?

A: My top three priorities are education, building an economy that works for all, and healthcare. As a current college student who is laden with student debt, I intend to fight for adequate funding for our public schools in order to provide equal opportunities for students, rather than letting charter schools undermine public education. As someone who grew up in poverty, education has greatly impacted my life and I intend to make sure higher education and vocational schools are affordable options for our students. I also aim to build an economy that works for us all by strengthening unions, allocating more money towards infrastructure development, and limiting corporate control in politics. Lastly, I hope to address average American healthcare needs by supporting a single-payer healthcare system. I also wish to address the current opioid epidemic by allocating more funding towards research and rehabilitation facilities, which are underfunded and understaffed.

Q: Do you support reforming our congressional and legislative redistricting process to implement an independent citizen's redistricting commission? Why or why not?

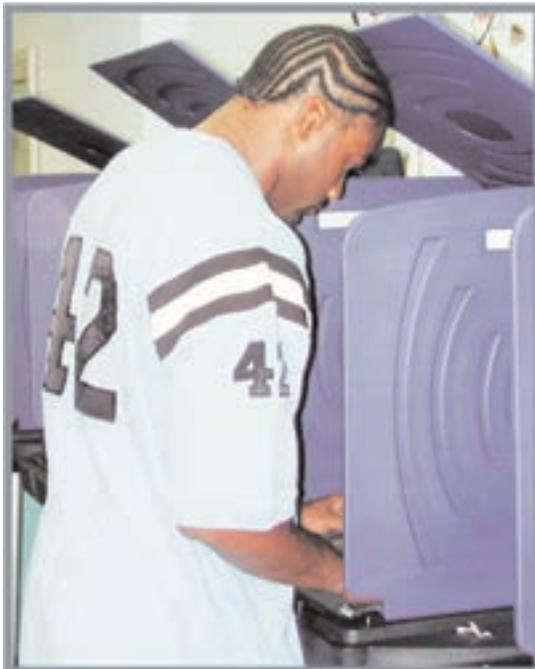
A: I support reforming the redistricting process by implementing an independent commission. My district is an obvious victim of gerrymandering, and

**JOHN MCCABE**

the outcome of this is more partisan politics. Partisan politics leads into heavy division and thus no progress is made in the legislature. Neither side is willing to compromise or agree, and ultimately the American people pay the price. Compromise is said to be the essence of democracy, but unfortunately compromise is non-existent in our current political system. One of the reasons I am running is to bridge the divide between our heavily divided country. As a newcomer to politics, I hope to provide fresh perspective to the PA legislature.

Q: Which voting modernization reforms (such as no-excuse absentee voting, early voting, same day voter registration, additional funding for voting technology upgrades) would you support to ensure that our elections are accessible, efficient, and secure?

A: Of course ! I am a sincere supporter of voting modernization reforms. On my campus, I started a non-partisan club (My Vote Matters) that registers students to vote, and also brings legislators to campus in order to talk to and meet their student constituents. The reason I started this club was to bring students into the political conversation. What I learned from my club was that students are very confused on how the voting process works. We need to make sure that Americans can easily register to vote. Less than 30% of individuals aged 18-24 vote. I believe voting reforms can help change this unfortunate statistic so that we can have proper representation in the legislature. Same day voter registration would help tremendously.

REPUBLICAN**BOB BROOKS (REP)****MUNICIPALITY:** MURRYSVILLE**COUNTY:** WESTMORELAND**QUESTIONS:** No Response**DON'T FORGET TO VOTE ON NOVEMBER 6!**

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**COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY
PROPOSED HOME RULE
CHARTER AMENDMENT
SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION**

Shall the Allegheny County Home Rule Charter be amended to establish the Allegheny County Children's Fund, funded by Allegheny County levying and collecting an additional 0.25 mills, the equivalent of \$25.00 on each \$100,000 of assessed value, on all taxable real estate, beginning January 1, 2019 and thereafter, to be used to improve the wellbeing of children through the provision of services throughout the County including early childhood learning, after school programs, and nutritious meals.

Explanation of Ballot Question

If this question is approved by a majority of those voting, the Allegheny County Home Rule Charter shall be amended to create an annual tax on taxable real estate in Allegheny County in the amount of 0.25 mils. This tax increase would be the equivalent of \$25 per \$100,000 of assessed real estate valuation. The resulting revenue would be used to establish the Allegheny County Children's Fund to be used to improve the well-being of children through the provision of services throughout the County including early childhood learning, after school programs, and nutritious meals.

The question would also establish the Office of the Allegheny County Children's Fund to administer the Allegheny County Children's Fund. The Office of the Allegheny County Children's Fund would be supervised by the Allegheny County Manager. The Chief Executive and County Council would then create an Allegheny County Children's Fund Citizen's Advisory Commission to review and advise the operation of the Office of the Allegheny County Children's Fund.

If approved, this amendment shall take effect upon the certification of the November 6, 2018 General Election Results.

**MUNICIPALITY OF BETHEL PARK
PROPOSED HOME RULE
CHARTER AMENDMENT
SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION #1**

Shall Article 14, General Provisions, of the Bethel Park Home Rule Charter be amended to include a new Section, en-

titled References to Gender, which provides that all references to the male gender within the Home Rule Charter are deemed to refer to the male and female gender?

Explanation of Ballot Question #1

If this question is approved by a majority of those voting, Section 1409, References to Gender shall be added to the Charter, to provide that all male reference in the Charter be viewed as "gender neutral". If approved, this amendment shall take effect upon the certification of the November 6, 2018 General Election results.

**MUNICIPALITY OF BETHEL PARK
PROPOSED HOME RULE
CHARTER AMENDMENT
SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION #2**

Shall Article 12, Sections 1201(B) Referendum, and 1205, Referendum Petitions; Suspension of Effective Date of Ordinance, of the Municipality of Bethel Park Home Rule Charter be amended to state that when residents initiate referendum procedures challenging ordinances increasing or decreasing a tax rate, the increase or decrease will be challenged without suspending the tax rate in effect prior to the ordinance? The prior tax rate shall continue until final disposition of the referendum challenge.

Explanation of Ballot Question #2

If this question is approved by a majority of those voting, Article 12, Sections 1201(B) Referendum and 1205, Referendum Petition; Suspension of Effective Date of Ordinance of the Charter shall be amended by incorporating language that permits a challenge to an ordinance, as to the amount of the tax rate increase or decrease without suspending the rate in effect prior to the ordinance. The prior tax rate shall remain unchanged pending final disposition of the challenge. If approved, this amendment shall take effect upon the certification of the November 6, 2018 General Election results.

**MUNICIPALITY OF BETHEL PARK
PROPOSED HOME RULE
CHARTER AMENDMENT
SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION #3**

Shall Article 12, Section 1204, Procedure After Filing Petitions, of the Municipali-

ty of Bethel Park, Home Rule Charter be amended by removing the provisions allowing a petitioner additional time to amend an initiative or referendum petition deemed insufficient by the Municipal Manager?

Explanation of Ballot Question #3

If this question is approved by a majority of those voting, Article 12, Section 1204, Procedure After Filing Petitions of the Charter shall be amended to delete the process of allowing a petitioner additional time to revise an initiative or referendum petition certified as insufficient by the Municipal Manager. If approved, this amendment shall take effect upon the certification of the November 6, 2018 General Election results.

**MUNICIPALITY OF BETHEL PARK
PROPOSED HOME RULE
CHARTER AMENDMENT
SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION #4**

Shall Article 12, Section 1204(B) Council Review of the Municipality of Bethel Park Home Rule Charter be amended to state that a petitioner must provide sufficient security upon filing for court review of Council's determination as to the insufficiency of an initiative or referendum petition?

Explanation of Ballot Question #4

If this question is approved by a majority of those voting, Article 12, Section 1204(B), Council Review, of the Charter will be amended by requiring the petitioner to post sufficient security in the Court of Common Pleas to cover the costs of challenging Council's final findings of an insufficient Initiative or Referendum Petition. The language currently states "insufficient security". If approved, this amendment shall take effect upon the certification of the November 6, 2018 General Election results.

**MUNICIPALITY OF MONROEVILLE
PROPOSED HOME RULE
CHARTER AMENDMENT
SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION #1**

Shall Article XIII. Treasurer, of the Monroeville Home Rule Charter, be amended to permit Monroeville Council to combine the offices of Treasurer and elected Tax Collector, appoint the Treasurer for an indefinite time and define the Qual-

fications, Purpose, Duties and Responsibilities of the Treasurer, as more fully described in Monroeville Ordinance No. 2667?

Explanation of Ballot Question #1

If this question is approved by a majority of those voting, Article XIII. Treasurer, of the Monroeville Home Rule Charter shall be amended to permit Monroeville Council to combine the offices of Treasurer and elected Tax Collector, appoint the Treasurer for an indefinite period of time and establish residency, age and educational requirements. Currently, the Treasurer may be appointed for a term not to exceed two (2) years. The office of elected Tax Collector shall be abolished.

Original Question 2 MUNICIPALITY OF MONROEVILLE PROPOSED HOME RULE CHARTER AMENDMENT SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION #2

Shall Article XIV. Contracts, of the Monroeville Home Rule Charter be amended to increase the threshold amounts for contracts that must be competitively bid for labor, material supplies or services and insurance, professional and unusual services to the amounts provided for by Pennsylvania law and permit contracts for supplies to exceed two (2) years and provide the Solicitor the option to cure invalid contracts, as more fully described in Ordinance No. 2667?

Explanation of Ballot Question #2

If this question is approved by a majority of those voting, Article XI. Contracts, of the Monroeville Home Rule Charter shall be amended to increase the threshold dollar amount for competitively bid contracts from \$4,000 to \$10,500 for written or telephonic quotes and to \$20,100 for publicly advertised bids, in accordance with Pennsylvania law. Contract amounts less than \$10,500 shall not require formal bidding or written/telephonic quotes.

The Charter shall also be amended by deleting the two-year maximum term limitation for contracts for the purchase of supplies and provide the Solicitor the option to cure invalid contracts.

If approved, this amendment shall take effect upon the certification of the November 6, 2018 General Election results.

Amended Question 2 MUNICIPALITY OF MONROEVILLE PROPOSED HOME RULE CHARTER AMENDMENT SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION #2

Shall Article XIV. Contracts, of the Monroeville Home Rule Charter be amended to increase the threshold amounts for contracts that must be competitively bid for labor, material supplies or services and insurance, professional and unusual services to the amounts provided for by Pennsylvania law and permit contracts for supplies to exceed two (2) years and provide the Solicitor the option to cure invalid contracts, as more fully described in Ordinance No. 2667?

Explanation of Ballot Question #2

If this question is approved by a majority of those voting, Article XI. Contracts, of the Monroeville Home Rule Charter shall be amended to increase the threshold dollar amount for competitively bid contracts from \$4,000 to \$10,500 for written or telephonic quotes and to \$20,100 for publicly advertised bids, in accordance with Pennsylvania law. The law further provides for adjustments to bid amounts due to inflation per the (CPI)

MUNICIPALITY OF MONROEVILLE PROPOSED HOME RULE CHARTER AMENDMENT SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION #3

Shall Article XVII. Investigative, Hearing and Subpoena Powers, of the Monroeville Home Rule Charter be amended to permit the issuance of subpoenas to out of state parties and impose penalties consistent with Pennsylvania law for parties that do not obey a subpoena?

Explanation of Ballot Question #3

If this question is approved by a majority of those voting, Article XVII. Investigative, Hearing and Subpoena Powers, of the Monroeville Home Rule Charter shall be amended to permit the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of evidence pursuant to Pennsylvania law. Currently, the Charter only permits the issuance of subpoenas to be served within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

In addition, Article XVII, shall be amended to permit the imposition of fines, costs

and sanctions, pursuant to Pennsylvania law, upon parties who refuse or neglect to obey a subpoena.

If approved, this amendment shall take effect upon the certification of the November 6, 2018 General election results.

MUNICIPALITY OF MONROEVILLE PROPOSED HOME RULE CHARTER AMENDMENT SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION #4

Shall Article XXI. General, of the Monroeville Home Rule Charter be amended to require that a vacancy in the Office of Member of Council may only be filled at a Municipal Election, pursuant to the provisions of the Pennsylvania Election Code?

Explanation of Ballot Question #4

If this question is approved by a majority of those voting, Article XXI. General, of the Monroeville Home Rule Charter shall be amended to require that a vacancy in the Office of Member of Council may only be filled at a Municipal (odd-numbered year) Election, in accordance with the provisions of the Pennsylvania Election Code. Currently, the Charter permits the filing of a Council vacancy at any election.

If approved, this amendment shall take effect upon the certification of the November 6, 2018 General Election results.

MUNICIPALITY OF MONROEVILLE PROPOSED HOME RULE CHARTER AMENDMENT SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION #5

Shall Article XXIV. Recall, of the Monroeville Home Rule Charter be deleted?

Explanation of Ballot Question #5

If this question is approved by a majority of those voting, Article XXI, Recall provisions of the Monroeville Home Rule Charter shall be removed. Any removal from office would be pursuant to the procedures set forth in the Pennsylvania Constitution.

If approved, this amendment shall take effect upon certification of the November 6, 2018 General Election results.

WEST DEER TOWNSHIP PROPOSED HOME RULE CHARTER AMENDMENT SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION #1

Shall Section C-1015 of the West Deer Township Home Rule Charter be amended to permit Township Supervisors to be compensated at the rate of \$50.00 per month, as more fully described in Township Ordinance No. 423?

Explanation of Ballot Question #1

If this question is approved by a majority of those voting, the West Deer Home Rule Charter shall be amended to permit Township Supervisors to be paid \$50.00 per month. This rate may be changed by ordinance but shall not become effective until the first day of the year following the election of Supervisors. Township Supervisors may not receive any other direct or indirect compensation. Any reimbursement for travel or other necessary expenses is limited to the Township Supervisors, upon approval by a majority vote of the Board of Supervisors.

If approved, this amendment shall take effect upon the certification of the November 6, 2018 General Election results.

**WEST DEER TOWNSHIP
PROPOSED HOME RULE
CHARTER AMENDMENT
SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION #2**

Shall Section C-1019 of the West Deer

Township Home Rule Charter be amended to replace language regarding Supervisor vacancies and removal from office that was found to be unconstitutional?

Explanation of Ballot Question #2

If this question is approved by a majority of those voting, the West Deer Home Rule Charter shall be amended to provide that a Township Supervisor shall only be removed from office by impeachment or conviction of an infamous crime, as provided for in the Pennsylvania Constitution.

If approved, this amendment shall take effect upon the certification of the November 6, 2018 General Election results.

**WEST DEER TOWNSHIP
PROPOSED HOME RULE
CHARTER AMENDMENT
SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION #3**

Shall Sections C-1012, C-1016, C-1018 and C-1021 of the West Deer Township Home Rule Charter be amended by replacing all gender-specific, time-based and grammatically incorrect language?

Explanation of Ballot Question #3

If this question is approved by a majority of those voting, Sections C-1012, C-1016, C-1018 and C-1021 of the West Deer

Home Rule Charter shall be amended by replacing the words “he” with “they”, “his” with “their”, “Chairman” with “Chairperson” and “Vice Chairman” with “Vice Chair” and removing the requirement that the Board organization meeting occur at 8:00 p.m.

If approved, this amendment shall take effect upon the certification of the November 6, 2018 General Election results.

**WEST DEER TOWNSHIP
PROPOSED HOME RULE
CHARTER AMENDMENT
SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION #4**

Shall Section C-1054 of the West Deer Township Home Rule Charter be amended to restate the list of actions which require an Ordinance, as more fully described in Township Ordinance No. 426?

Explanation of Ballot Question #4

If this question is approved by a majority of those voting, Section C-1054 of the Home Rule Charter shall be amended by deleting “Establish wages, hours or fringe benefits of any employee of the Township”.

If approved, this amendment shall take effect upon the certification of the November 6, 2018 General Election results.

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