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CANDIDATE STATEMENT INFORMATION

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CANDIDATE STATEMENT
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 5

My name is: Mike Thompson
My Party Preference is: Democrat
My age is:
My occupation is: Member of Congress
Education and Qualifications:

I am honored to have the opportunity to represent Contra Costa County in Congress, where I have one agenda: listening to the folks at home about the opportunities and challenges we face, fighting for our priorities in Washington, coming up with solutions, and returning home with results.

As your representative I will continue working to create jobs and strengthen our middle class, bring fiscally responsible solutions to the federal government, protect our seniors by strengthening Social Security and Medicare, and make sure our veterans and military families receive the benefits they've earned.

I was born, grew up and still live in our district, and I am honored to have the opportunity to represent parts of Contra Costa County in Congress. My friend, Rep. George Miller, and I work well together and I am proud to have earned his endorsement. We will join forces and I will work with all the fantastic people in our district to strengthen our communities and deliver solutions to the challenges we face.

Working together we will make our district a better place to live, work, raise a family and start a business. On June 5th, please vote Mike Thompson for Congress.

CANDIDATE STATEMENT
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 9

My name is: Jerry McNerney
My Party Preference is: Democrat
My age is:
My occupation is: United States Congressman
Education and Qualifications:

My wife Mary and I have lived and raised our three children in Northern California for over 20 years. As a renewable energy engineer, small businessman, and father, I know the challenges of making ends meet during tough times. I worked hard to provide for my family but had to take out a second mortgage to help send my kids to college. We were proud when our son Michael joined the military after 9/11. His service inspired me to run for public office, and my experiences drive me to stand up for what's right and support hardworking Americans.

I'm committed to improving the economy and creating local jobs. With people struggling, it's wrong for Congress and big corporations to benefit at our expense. That's why I've voted against pay raises for Congress, and I wrote a bill to close tax loopholes for companies that ship American jobs overseas. I know that small businesses are the engine of our economy, and I've worked to pass tax credits for companies that hire new employees.

Taking care of veterans is a personal priority of mine. Many local veterans have to drive hours for a doctor's appointment. That's why I delivered a new veterans medical center to our area, creating 900 jobs. I also wrote a law improving treatments for service members returning from combat with severe brain injuries.

I'll keep fighting to create jobs and improve veterans' benefits and will stand up for you during these tough times.

CANDIDATE STATEMENT
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 9

My name is: John McDonald
My Party Preference is: Republican
My age is: 44
My occupation is: High Technology Executive
Education and Qualifications:

I'm a 44 year old VP in the 2nd fastest growing semiconductor company in the USA. As a semiconductor executive, electrical engineer, and patent holder, my teams have created more than $1 Billion in market capitalization generating hundreds of high paying American jobs in three successful start ups. I've been married for 21 years to Jennifer and we have four daughters. As an authentic pro-life, traditional marriage, religious liberty candidate, I believe social issues are economic issues.

Every $0.01/ kWh increase in our electricity bill costs California 25,000 jobs. We need more nuclear, gas, coal, hydro and wind. These sources are cheap and American based. Gas prices are reduced by building pipelines, reducing fuel mixtures, and drilling. Unfortunately, with no engineers in Congress there is a lack of technical expertise that hurts our country.

Capital Gains Taxes and the Sarbanes Oxley Act (a financial accounting act) are estimated to have cost the US economy 2 million technology jobs over the past 10 years. I will push to cut taxes and repeal Sarbanes Oxley.

I've traveled to foreign countries more than 60 times gaining an understanding of international trade critical to our farming sector. I strongly support property and water rights.

Liberty matters. I oppose NDAA, SOPA, Agenda 21, New London v. Kelo and support a return to sound money. I support the 2nd amendment. Learn more www.johnmcdonald2012.com

CANDIDATE STATEMENT
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 9

My name is: Ricky Gill
My Party Preference is: Republican
My age is:
My occupation is: Small Businessman / Farmer
Education and Qualifications:

I'm running for Congress to give our Valley and Delta communities a fresh start and our own voice in Washington - the local voice we need to renew our local economy and create jobs.

I was born and raised in Lodi; I've always called the San Joaquin Valley home. I worked on my family's farm and helped manage our small business. I've volunteered at Lodi Memorial Hospital and at St. Mary's Interfaith in Stockton. I studied hard and earned academic scholarships to attend Princeton University, and Berkeley Law. I served on the California State Board of Education, where I successfully fought to maintain high education standards and promote charter schools. I want to put my local knowledge and experience to work as your representative in Congress.

My top priority is renewing our economy and creating jobs. Already, I have worked with community leaders and put forth an aggressive, forward-looking Jobs Plan.

Economic growth: Revive our core agricultural economy by streamlining regulations, opening overseas markets for our products, and staunchly defending our Delta water rights. Jobs: Empower small businesses and aggressively recruit new tech manufacturing jobs. Fiscal responsibility: Pass the Balanced Budget Amendment to end Washington's cycle of debt that's crushing our economy. Opportunity: Require excellence in our schools so that the next generation can succeed in today's competitive, global economy.

I know we can give our community a fresh start - if we elect a new generation of local leadership. It's time for our voice to be heard. Let's get started. www.rickygill.com

CANDIDATE STATEMENT
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 11

My name is: George Miller
My Party Preference is: Democrat
My age is: 67
My occupation is: Congressman
Education and Qualifications:

DVC, SF State, U.C. Davis Law School.

I'm running for re-election to Congress to reignite the American Dream. And we've got a lot of work to do, to grow our economy, help small business owners and entrepreneurs create good jobs, protect the environment, invest in transportation and infrastructure, and improve our schools.

I'm a life-long Contra Costan with a record of integrity and success. I've written bills signed into law by Presidents from both parties, to protect California water, expand water recycling and the jobs that come from it, raise the minimum wage, improve the nutrition of meals served in public schools, and reduce the cost of student loans. I co-wrote the Affordable Care Act that is guaranteeing children, seniors and every American access to affordable health care. And I wrote the first law that Barack Obama signed after becoming President – to strengthen protections for women against pay discrimination.

As the top Democrat on the Education and Workforce Committee, I wake up every day to go to work on behalf of America's workers, school children, retirees, and a healthy environment. I never give up fighting for every American, of every race, color, religion, sexual identity, and economic position, to have the opportunity to succeed in life if they're working hard and taking responsibility. The Dream can be ours again, but we have a lot of work to do to get there. I'm honored to have your support to keep working for you and our community. www.georgemillerforcongress.com

CANDIDATE STATEMENT
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 11

My name is: John Fitzgerald
My Party Preference is: Democrat
My age is: 48
My occupation is: Contractor
Education and Qualifications:

I live in Concord with my wife and three children and attended De La Salle and San Francisco State.

I'm an American first and foremost. I believe we must set aside our partisan differences and not let the media and politicians divide us further so we can restore our country to greatness.

I'm an astute observer of politics and having studied the Constitution I have learned the following:

Both Republicans and Democrats unconstitutionally allowed the banker bailouts and the warrantless wiretapping, secret arrest, torture, and assassination of US citizens.

We must repeal all unconstitutional laws, starting with the Patriot Act and National Defense Authorization Act which lets the military indefinitely detain US citizens without due process.

Only Congress can declare war - not the President, NATO nor the UN. We must bring all our troops home now - and keep them out of Syria and Iran.

To bring back manufacturing jobs and stop outsourcing, we must leave NAFTA, CAFTA, GATT and the WTO. The UN and NATO have no constitutional authority over us.

We must disband the TSA, ban geoengineering, mandatory vaccinations, and federal funding of genetically modified crops.

Congress should issue our currency, not the unconstitutional, privately owned Federal Reserve which gave trillions of our taxpayer dollars to foreign banks while we have the highest unemployment, worst housing crisis and poorest educational system our country has ever seen.

We must return to the Constitution and make America great once more. Our children's future depends on it.

Full platform at johnfitzgeraldforcongress.com

CANDIDATE STATEMENT
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 15

My name is: Eric Swalwell
My Party Preference is: Democrat
My age is: 31
My occupation is: Prosecutor/City Councilman
Education and Qualifications:

America needs an economic comeback. Unfortunately, Congress is a mess. Legislators spend too much time bickering over partisan politics, and too little time working for you. We can do better. I'll work with both parties to ensure that if you play by the rules and work hard, you'll be rewarded with new opportunities for greater prosperity.

We need a Representative in Congress who lives in our community and has the energy and new ideas to solve problems. As a Dublin City Councilman, I reformed the city's pension plan to meet our commitments to retirees while balancing the budget without layoffs or service cuts. In Congress, I'll end wasteful spending and reduce our debt.

With a champion in Congress, our community can create thousands of new renewable energy jobs. We can deliver a tax code that encourages "Made in America," no longer rewards companies who send jobs overseas, and makes the super-rich pay their fair share.

I'll work to bring fairness and accountability to Congress. I've prosecuted thousands of cases and received a community award from Mothers Against Drunk Drivers. I'll enact policies that punish corporate greed, reform government, and end special treatment for legislators.

I know the people and issues of our area. I've volunteered as a youth soccer coach, founded a nonprofit education organization, and serve as an advisor to the Tri-Valley Conservancy, a land conservation group. I'll never forget where I come from and who I represent, you.

www.swalwellforcongress.com

CANDIDATE STATEMENT
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 15

My name is: Fortney Pete Stark
My Party Preference is: Democrat
My age is:
My occupation is: US Congressman
Education and Qualifications:

I am running for Congress in the new 15th District to fight for our shared values and to put our country back on the right track. I seek to build a brighter future for our community by putting people first. My number one priority is getting Americans back to work.

I have championed the needs of the East Bay in Congress, leading the fight to protect Social Security and Medicare, conserve the environment, advocate for a woman's right to choose, promote peace rather than war, and standing up for working families. This year, I brought millions of federal funds into the community to create green jobs, invest in energy efficiency, and promote conservation projects.

As Chairman of the Ways and Means Subcommittee on Health, I was a key architect of the Affordable Care Act that was signed into law by President Obama in 2010 – legislation that will finally guarantee affordable, quality health care to all Americans.

My greatest pleasure is helping our neighbors through active constituent services. From finding a lost Social Security check to helping with veterans' concerns, I care about the strength of this community, and I am committed to serving you in Congress. I have a BS from MIT and a MBA from UC Berkeley. I am a veteran of the Air Force. A father of seven and grandfather of eight, I know the joy of family and the importance of a strong community.

CANDIDATE STATEMENT
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 15

My name is: Christopher “Chris” J. Pareja
My Party Preference is: No Party Preference
My age is: 40
My occupation is: Small Business Owner
Education and Qualifications:

We want Congress to create an environment for a strong economy and healthy job creation. We should expect our Representatives to understand how the legislation they approve will impact the business community. I have spent the last 20 years in a number of sales, marketing and management positions. I understand the needs of people from the boardroom to the loading dock; from the job seeker to the retiree. Government deficits and spending are far exceeding tax revenue. Washington DC needs to take a lesson from citizens like you and me. We have had to prioritize our spending and make tough decisions to cut costs. I will take that philosophy to Washington. I have lived in the East Bay most of my life, and my wife and I have lived within the district for most of the 16 years we have been married. We have raised our 11, 10 and 3-year old children in the cities between Hayward and Livermore and understand the unique environments within our district. On the surface, our district might seem diverse. Yet, when we talk as people, instead of Conservatives or Liberals, I find we typically have the same concerns. We want safe and healthy neighborhoods, the ability to provide for the ones we love, a government that keeps its promises and to be heard by our elected public servants. I want to be your voice in Washington. I would appreciate your vote and want to listen. Contact me at chris@chrispareja.com or 510.342.0226 or visit www.chrispareja.com.

CANDIDATE STATEMENT
MEMBER OF THE STATE SENATE, DISTRICT 7

My name is: Mark DeSaulnier
My Party Preference is: Democrat
My age is:
My occupation is: State Senator / Businessman
Education and Qualifications:

As Contra Costa's State Senator, I've worked hard to represent our values in Sacramento.

I've endeavored to be a progress-oriented leader on the issues that matter most, including reforming California's government, creating jobs, safeguarding the environment, providing quality health care, and protecting the public's safety.

I'm dedicated to fixing our system of government. As your Senator, I've fought to reform the budget process and increase government transparency.

I firmly believe that California's future depends on full funding of education. As your Senator, I've stood up against shortsighted layoffs and cuts at our schools. I've also been proud to partner with California Schools Superintendent Tom Torlakson to increase access to critical after-school programs.

As Chairman of the Senate Transportation and Housing committee, I've fought for safe and efficient streets and highways as well as more public transit. I've worked to help ease congestion with the completion of the 4th bore of the Caldecott Tunnel and the widening of Highway 4.

It's my top priority to provide our neighborhoods with the highest standards of constituent service. Along with my staff, I've helped Contra Costa residents avoid foreclosures and cut through red tape.

It's my honor to represent Contra Costa County in the Senate. I'm running for re-election to continue to fight for our neighborhoods, our local schools and for reforming state government.

I'll always be a strong advocate for the unique communities of Contra Costa County. I'd be proud to earn your vote on June 5th.

Mark DeSaulnier

markdesaulnier.com

CANDIDATE STATEMENT
MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 11

My name is: Mike Hudson
My Party Preference is: Republican
My age is: 50
My occupation is: Vice Mayor of Suisun City / Business Owner
Education and Qualifications:

California has lost its way.

We need to win back California by putting Californians back to work, building an economy that fosters job creation and expansion, rewarding hard work and investment. That cannot happen until we stop driving businesses out of our state.

Political impasse and petty bickering has caused our state to self-destruct. Our economy is depressed, jobs are scarce, our infrastructure is crumbling, schools are failing, and Sacramento preys on our cities and schools to solve their perpetual budget problems.

I have proven my leadership in Suisun City. Building consensus across the aisle, Suisun City consistently achieved balanced budgets, lower crime rates, improved roads, and before and after school programs. We accomplished this by working together.

One person cannot change Sacramento. Working together, we can fix the economy, encourage job growth, balance the budget, save our schools, and fix our roads. Together we can achieve.

As an honorably discharged US Naval Submarine veteran of the first Gulf War, business owner, and Vice Mayor of Suisun City, I have 16 years of public service. Through cooperation and collaboration, I have a solid reputation as a leader who takes the initiative, brings people together, and gets the job done.

I am supported by honest and hard working Californians who believe in opportunity, education, and fiscal responsibility. Solving California's perpetual problems requires proven leadership with the ability to effect positive change. We must act now! We must act together!

I respectfully request your vote.

Mike Hudson
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CANDIDATE STATEMENT
MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 11

My name is: Patricia Hernandez
My Party Preference is: Democrat
My age is: 41
My occupation is: Professional Negotiator
Education and Qualifications:

I have been fighting for working families and middle class Californians my whole life. As a child, I translated for my parents and many others in my community who spoke limited English, serving as their voices at an early age. Today, I am an advocate for the physicians that staff community clinics and hospitals throughout California.

I, like many of you, have become dissatisfied with local leaders and State representatives. I fear that they have lost touch with us - the working middle class. Instead of helping us find quality jobs, keep our homes, and rebuild safe communities, local leaders have instead opted for backroom deals and payouts to those in power. I am running for Assembly because it's time our elected leaders start working for us. Not for each other.

For the past twelve years, I have negotiated fair and equitable contracts for the Union of American Physicians and Dentists. Now, I'd like to take my experience as a professional negotiator to Sacramento – to fight for all of us.

I will fight for good-paying local jobs, commonsense mortgage protection programs, quality public education, our aging population, safe communities, and preserving the Delta.

I would be honored to be a voice for every neighborhood, every community in our district. I respectfully ask for your vote.

Please visit www.PHernandez.com to learn more about me and my campaign. And please share your voice with me.

CANDIDATE STATEMENT
MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 11

My name is: Jim Frazier
My Party Preference is: Democrat
My age is: 52
My occupation is: City Councilmember, Former Mayor of Oakley, Small Business Owner
Education and Qualifications:

I am a City Councilmember, former Mayor of Oakley, and the only candidate from Contra Costa County. Securing $166,000,000 for East County road improvements (creating 2,700 new jobs) and balancing our city budget with a 30% reserve are accomplishments that make me proud.

Our citizens are tired of politics as usual and want their elected leaders to stop playing political games and start solving our area's problems:

Crime - Violent crime is at an all-time high. We need money for police, gang prevention and programs to keep youth from committing crimes.

K-12 Education - We need to harness our brightest minds (Democrats and Republicans) to provide world-class education for our students.

College Tuition - California made a promise college education would be affordable. We can't turn our backs on our young people now.

Protecting the Delta - Southern California wants to take our water - harming water quality, our fish population and tourist industry. We need to stop them.

These aren't Democrat or Republican issues - they affect all East County residents. If elected to serve you, I will represent all our citizens - and put people before politics to get things done.

I have earned the endorsement of Congressmen George Miller, John Garamendi and Jerry McNerney, Assemblymember Joan Buchanan, Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Torlakson, District Attorney Mark Peterson, Sheriff David Livingston, the Deputy Sheriffs' Association, Contra Costa County Firefighters and others.

Please visit www.PeopleBeforePolitics.org or call me at (925) 250-6831 to share your ideas for creating solutions that put people first. I would be honored to earn your support.

CANDIDATE STATEMENT
MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 11

My name is: Gene Gantt
My Party Preference is: Democrat
My age is:
My occupation is: Retired Fire Chief – College Teacher
Education and Qualifications:

I am not a politician. I'm a lifelong Firefighter, Fire Chief and College Instructor.

Over 30 years in emergency services has taught me that doing the job right the first time is essential to saving lives. These are the values I teach first responders at Solano Community College.

In Sacramento, they can't even balance a budget. It's time to get it right. No excuses. No finger pointing. And no special favors to the special interests whose tax giveaways are paid for by cuts to education, healthcare and services for seniors and disabled. As the father of two children who have Type I Diabetes, these cuts hit us all hard.

As Executive Director of the California State Firefighters Association and former Legislative Director for California's Fire Chiefs, I will continue to work to ensure your neighborhoods are protected and local government gets its share of the budget to provide great local service.

I love this region and know every corner of it very well. Camping and fishing with my family in our rivers, delta and streams has made me a strong advocate for water and land conservation.

This is the kind of experience, fiscal responsibility and commitment to protecting our natural resources that I offer.

In the Assembly, my mission will be to restore civility to the legislature and balance the books so that we can uphold our commitments to our schools, neighborhoods and quality of life.

I would be honored to earn your vote.

For more information please visit GeneGantt.com

CANDIDATE STATEMENT
MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 11

My name is: Len Augustine
My Party Preference is: No Party Preference
My age is: 74
My occupation is: Retired USAF Colonel / Retired Vacaville Mayor
Education and Qualifications:

After 14 years on the Vacaville City Council, the last 8 as Mayor, I learned we can accomplish a lot more at the state and local levels of government when party identification is left at the door and we focus on solving problems.

Today, our state is leaving our children and grandchildren a legacy of debt. We can and must restore the promise of the Golden State. California has been the leader in research and innovation and can be the leader again in manufacturing by providing incentives for manufacturers who create jobs, invest in trade schools and expand their businesses. We should encourage those who create opportunity and increase our state's revenue.

Our education system is failing because we're not empowering the classroom teacher and rewarding them accordingly. My long service in the military and local government has taught me that greater accountability is achieved at the community level. In Vacaville, I helped lead the effort to reinvest in our schools, resulting in improved facilities, higher student test scores and greater emphasis on financial management.

We must change our Capitol's bad habits. My first act in the legislature will be to introduce legislation requiring a two-year budget process, making government more accountable and predictable. We will reward agencies that innovate and reduce debt instead of creating unsustainable new programs. Reducing burdensome regulations will help create jobs and generate new revenue.

The promise of the Golden State is achievable again. Together we can succeed. Join me at LenAugustine.com

CANDIDATE STATEMENT
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 2

My name is: Candace Andersen
My age is: 51
My occupation is: Mayor of Danville, former Prosecutor, Attorney, and Community Volunteer
Education and Qualifications:

County government is suffering. Now more than ever, we need strong leaders who will make difficult decisions to get County government back on track.

As Mayor of Danville, with a degree in Public Policy, and as a former prosecutor, I have a proven track record of sifting through complex issues and making tough decisions necessary to protect our quality of life.

My husband Phil and I are proud to have raised our six children here. I will fiercely defend the quality of life we have all worked so hard to achieve.

I have earned the endorsement of outgoing Supervisor Gayle Uilkema; District Attorney Mark Peterson; Sheriff David Livingston; Deputy Sheriffs' and District Attorneys' Associations; and many Mayors and Councilmembers. They agree that I can be counted on to:

Increase Public Safety: Law enforcement needs the tools to protect our residents and prosecute criminals. I will re-establish public safety as a top priority for Contra Costa County.

Fix the Pension System: We must stop all abuses and address pension formulas so they will not bankrupt our County.

Oppose Growth in the Tassajara Valley: I will honor the voter approved Urban Growth Boundary and never build outside it.

Create Jobs and Support Businesses: I will cut bureaucratic red tape to help businesses grow and stimulate our economy.

We need strong leaders to get the County back on track. I invite you to call me on my cell, 925-858-4466, to share your ideas or visit my website: www.AndersenForSupervisor2012.com. Thank you for your consideration.

CANDIDATE STATEMENT
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 2

My name is: Tomi Diane Van de Brooke
My age is: 49
My occupation is: Businesswoman/College Trustee
Education and Qualifications:

I am the only fiscally responsible, socially progressive woman running for District II Supervisor.

I have the business experience needed to increase fiscal transparency and bring performance based-accountability to the County. With limited resources, we must address pension problems and make funding for public safety, local roads and infrastructure a priority.

I offer a 25 year career in business and seven years of public service experience. I've worked for Fortune 500 companies and started my own business, building it into a successful communications firm in Walnut Creek. I served on the boards of several economic development organizations actively promoting job growth and a diverse employment base.

As a seven-year Contra Costa Community College District Trustee and current Governing Board President, I successfully advocated for transparent and prudent budget practices and performance measures to ensure program effectiveness. Through my leadership, District general fund reserves have grown from less than 5% to as high as 23%. We also worked collaboratively with represented employees to increase productivity and resolve pension issues.

I value our quality of life, will protect our precious open space and support the voter-approved urban limit line. I'm the only woman in the race who supports both marriage equality and a woman's right to choose.

I was born and raised in Contra Costa, attended public schools and have a B.A. in Political Science/Public Administration. My husband and I are raising our two sons here because we value the schools, open space, and quality of life found in the shadow of Mount Diablo.

www.tomivdb.com

CANDIDATE STATEMENT
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 2

My name is: Dr. Sean White
My age is: 44
My occupation is: Solar Energy Professor
Education and Qualifications:

Getting money out of politics is my first priority & progress cannot be made with money controlling elections.

I believe that if our founding fathers were here today, they would be horrified to see the influence that money has on political campaigns. If they could foresee the freedom of speech inherit in the Internet, they would have left money out of politics completely.

When I ran for this same office in 2000, my opponent raised $100,000 from refineries, developers, foreclosure firms, etc & placed many trees into your mailboxes to defeat me. Please do not let this happen again.

I believe that my neighbors are too smart to believe empty junk mail slogans. Did you know I could pay to be on Republican & Democratic slates at the same time?

I will be your advocate to ride the wave that takes money out of politics. Global movements often start at the local level. It is obvious that our national leaders are not going to tackle this critical issue anytime soon.

I will start by demonstrating, with your help, that it is possible to win an election without campaign contributions (legalized bribes). This transparent campaign will consist of this $3000 statement, the $1000 filing fee, free press, social media & your conversations with your neighbor.

Qualifications:

I am a renewable energy professor, small business owner, chiropractor, electrician & solar contractor. I have a grasp on a broad range of issues from healthcare, to building permits and energy.

www.seanwhite.org

Vote Sean White!

CANDIDATE STATEMENT
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 3

My name is: Mary Nejedly Piepho
My age is: 49
My occupation is: Contra Costa County Supervisor, District III
Education and Qualifications:

When first elected to the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors, I promised to represent taxpayers, hold government accountable, reduce traffic and improve public safety. I have kept my promises.

I took action to balance an out of control budget, implemented responsible spending practices, reduced pension and retiree liabilities, doubled emergency reserves and upgraded the County's bond rating - without raising taxes.

Transportation - I've made the widening and safety of Highway 4, the Highway 4 Bypass and the Caldecott tunnel expansion all top priorities. I continue to lead safety efforts on Vasco Road, including a concrete barrier - reducing fatalities to zero.

Public Safety - I continue to fight to improve law enforcement and fire protection in order to protect citizens and property. Public safety remains a high priority and is key to our quality of life.

Urban Limit Line - As a co-author of the county's Urban Limit Line, I am protecting open spaces and controlling sprawl.

Delta - As a leader of the Delta County Coalition I continue to fight to protect our Delta from all threats and outside interests.

I'm proud to have bi-partisan support and endorsements from Antioch, Brentwood and Oakley leaders, public safety, and elected and community members throughout Contra Costa County, the region and the state.

Contra Costa County has always been my home. I live in Discovery Bay with my husband David, who is a firefighter, and our daughter Mariah.

I lead with honesty and integrity and always put the public's interest first. I'd be honored to continue to serve you.

Please visit www.MaryNejedlyPiepho.com.

CANDIDATE STATEMENT
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 5

My name is: Federal Glover
My age is: 55
My occupation is: Supervisor, 5th District
Education and Qualifications:

Solving Problems for People

Times are tough for everyone. I voted to cut my salary and benefits to save the County money.

My top goal remains: Solving problems for people – and making their lives better. Here's a sampling of challenges I've tackled:

You expressed frustration over traffic. I signed-up for key positions on Bay Area transportation agencies, fighting successfully for $1 billion to improve Highway 4, I-680, Highway 24, BART and the Caldecott Tunnel.

You demanded we prepare better for emergencies. I helped institute the County's emergency notification system that automatically telephones citizens. (Visit http://cws.cccounty.us/register.html to sign up.)

You asked for help lowering taxes. When housing values dropped, I sent applications to lower property taxes – saving families thousands of dollars a year. I conducted workshops helping taxpayers get refunds.

You expressed worry over crime. I hold yearly summits where former gang members, police and parents strategize to prevent gang violence. I instituted our County's first stay-in-school initiative. Young people in school are less likely to commit crimes.

My efforts strengthening public safety have earned me the endorsement of Contra Costa County Sheriff David Livingston, District Attorney Mark Peterson, the Deputy Sheriffs' Association, Pittsburg Police Officers' Association and Contra Costa County firefighters.

Whether it's finding a caregiver for an elderly relative, cleaning up unsightly debris, fighting a bill or finding the owner of a stray pet, I am here to help. Please call me anytime at (925) 335-8200.

I would be honored to have your vote – so we can continue our work together.