

HARVEY MILK CLUB DESLEY BROOKS' CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

Required Information

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Are you a member of the Harvey Milk Club? NO. Since when? N/A

Do you identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or queer (LGBTQ)? NO.

PART 1: Short-Answer Questionnaire

(Please limit responses to 5 sentences or 150 words)

1) Please describe your qualifications for the position you seek. Include any key endorsements you'd like to share plus anything else that you would like our Members to know about you and your candidacy. I AM THE MOST EXPERIENCED CANDIDATE IN THIS RACE. I AM THE INCUMBENT WITH 16 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE. PRIOR TO MY REPRESENTATION DISTRICT 6 WAS MARGINALIZED; THIS IS NO LONGER THE CASE. I AM ENDORSED BY SEIU 1021; IFPTE LOCAL 21; FIRE FIGHTERS LOCAL 55, ACCE, OAKLAND RISING; ASSEMBLY MEMBER ROB BONTA; SANDRE SWANSON; LOCAL 304; ILWU LOCAL 10; NATIONAL UNION OF HEALTHCARE WORKERS (NUHW) BLACK WOMEN ORGANIZED FOR POLITICAL ACTION (BWOPA); NUMEROUS DISTRICT 6 RESIDENTS.

2) What are your plans to address housing affordability and economic inequality in the region you wish to represent? What have you done to address this crisis, if anything? HOUSING AFFORDABILITY IS THE NUMBER 1 ISSUE IN OAKLAND. I WOULD GROW THE COMMUNITY LAND TRUST I HELPED TO CREATE TO ENSURE THERE WAS PERMANENTLY AFFORDABLE HOUSING. I WOULD CONTINUE TO ADVOCATE FOR CAREER JOBS TO PROVIDE PEOPLE A LIVING WAGE SO THEY CAN AFFORD HOUSING. I WOULD CONTINUE TO SUPPORT MINIMUM WAGE INCREASES AND GREATER ENFORCEMENT OF WAGE THEFT. I WOULD CONTINUE TO SUPPORT TENANT PROTECTIONS. I ENDORSED PROP 10 TO REPEAL COSTA HAWKINS.

3) The anti-black racial biases of both the police and the criminal justice system is well documented. What are the most important actions that you can take in your office to stabilize and support the African American community against these threats? I

CURRENTLY CHAIR THE COUNCIL'S PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE. I USE MY POSITION TO HOLD THE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTABLE. I CREATED THE DEPARTMENT OF RACE AND EQUITY TO PROVIDE OPD AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS THE TOOLS THEY NEED TO REMOVE THE SYSTEMIC RACIAL BARRIERS TO SERVING ALL SEGMENTS OF OUR COMMUNITY.

4) What would you describe as your most important actions or plans to support the LGBTQ community? ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS I'VE DONE ON THE COUNCIL TO SUPPORT THE LGBTQ COMMUNITY IS TO MAKE SURE OFCY FUNDING WAS SPECIFICALLY SET ASIDE TO PROVIDE CULTURALLY COMPETENT PROGRAMMING FOR THE LGBTQ COMMUNITY.

PART 2: Yes/No Questionnaire Please check **Yes** or **No** for each question.

GENERAL

YES NO

1. Are you registered to vote as a Democrat? YES
2. Have you ever run for elected office before? YES
3. Do you have a campaign consultant or other main point of contact? YES. If so, who? DESLEY BROOKS
4. Have you ever sought the Harvey Milk Club endorsement in the past? NO

LGBTQ ISSUES

TENANT, HOUSING, AND DEVELOPMENT ISSUES

YES NO

5. Do you support public funding for employment development specifically for transgender individuals? YES
6. Do you support expanding LGBTQ curriculum in our public schools? YES
7. Do you support the expansion of rent control for buildings constructed after 1979? YES
8. Have you ever been involved as homeowner, buyer or agent in the eviction of a tenant? NO. If so, please explain at the end of the questionnaire.
9. Do you support requiring Short Term Rental platforms (e.g. AirBnB, VRBO) to publish registration numbers for properly-registered short-term rentals on their respective websites; handing over booking data to the Planning Department; and increasing funding for enforcement capacity? YES
12. Do you support the statewide ballot initiative Prop 10 to repeal Costa-Hawkins? YES

IMMIGRATION JUSTICE ISSUES YES NO

13. Do you support Sanctuary City? YES
14. Do you support due process protections for immigrant youth accused of crimes? YES

15. Do you support localities allowing noncitizens to vote in local elections, including but not limited to School Board? YES

16. Do you support expanding funding for immigrant defense services? YES

SOCIAL JUSTICE, PUBLIC HEALTH, AND LABOR ISSUES YES NO

20. Do you support the implementation of supervised injection sites? YES

21. Did you support allowing localities to allow some bars to serve liquor until 4 AM? YES

22. Do you support the decriminalization of sex work? YES

23. Have you ever crossed a union picket line or violated a union boycott? NO. If so, explain below.

24. Do you support efforts to allow employees of Uber, Lyft and other ridesharing services to unionize? YES

25. Do you support requiring an independent investigation of all police officer-related shootings? YES

26. Do you support the use of tasers by law enforcement? NO

27. Do you support the death penalty? NO

EDUCATION AND YOUTH YES NO

ENVIRONMENTAL AND TRANSPORTATION ISSUES YES NO

28. Do you support lowering the voting age to 16 for local elections? YES

29. Do you support Common Core education standards? YES

30. Do you support teacher training to implement alternatives to suspension in instances of disruption or willful defiance? YES

31. Do you ride public transit on a regular basis? NO. More than once a week? NO

32. Do you support community choice aggregation? YES

33. Do you support expanding free access to public transit for seniors and disabled persons? YES

34. Do you support requiring ridesharing companies (e.g. Uber, Lyft) to provide trip data to local government order to operate in your locality? YES
