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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Respondent skipped this question

Party Affiliation

**Q3**

KS House

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**Q4**

District

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**Q5**

No

Incumbent?

**Q6**

Yes

Do you believe that scientific fact and the advice of health professionals should be paramount in decisions regarding public health crises like the COVID-19 pandemic?

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**Q7**

Please expand on your answer to the question above.

Absolutely. I am a believer in science and am optimistic that our researchers will have a deeper understanding of the virus and perhaps even an effective vaccine by the start of the 2021 legislative session. If so, we must immediately get to work on the serious economic, educational, equity and economic issues wrought by COVID-19. If not, we know the virus is not bound by politics, and our legislative leadership played far too many political games at the start of the pandemic. . I would support pragmatic public safety initiatives developed in collaboration with public health officials, like Dr. Lee Norman at KSDHE, for example.

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**Q8****No**

Do you believe that proof of citizenship should be required in order to register to vote?

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**Q9**

Please expand on your answer to the question above.

I would support overturning the SAFE Act and other measures to remove barriers to voting by Kansans. I want to increase civic engagement by making it EASIER, not harder, for Kansans to vote. The threat of voter fraud pales in comparison with voter suppression and disenfranchisement.

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**Q10****No**

Do you believe that laws covering the sale of firearms are sufficient? If yes, why? If no, do you believe they should be made more strict, less strict, or kept as they are now?

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**Q11**

Please expand on your answer to the question above.

As a gun owner myself, I support common sense gun safety laws including: universal background checks, red flag laws, closing the "boyfriend loophole," ending campus carry and funding evidence-based violence prevention programs. As well, I would not support arming our K-12 teachers as a solution to reduce school shootings.

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**Q12****No**

Do you support amending the Kansas Constitution to eliminate the protection for individual reproductive freedoms contained in the Kansas Constitution?

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**Q13**

Please expand on your answer to the question above.

Healthcare decisions should be made between a physician and a patient and anyone the patient chooses to include.

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**Q14****Yes**

Do you believe that diversity in representation is critical to effective governing? If yes, as an elected official what will you do to promote and engage leaders who more accurately reflect the diversity of members in our communities?

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**Q15**

Please expand on your answer to the question above.

The very title of the job I seek is "Representative." Most importantly, I will implement their suggestions for how to promote and engage leaders to achieve balance in representation. I will seek out and promote these voices and opinions from our communities, promote and amplify them, and vote for legislators from under represented communities into leadership positions. I will advocate for public policy that addresses systemic inequities across the board.

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**Q16****Yes**

Do you believe climate change is real and caused by human activity? If so, what policies should legislators pursue to improve climate resilience?

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**Q17**

Please expand on your answer to the question above.

As the mother of seven and grandmother of two, I plan to pursue legislation that will preserve a habitable planet for them and their grandchildren. At the state legislative level, we can pass HCR-5022 recognizing climate change, and move forward with comprehensive legislation that promotes climate resilience. My participation in Climate Action KC events has impressed upon me that climate resilience will require collaboration across all levels of government, both the public/private sectors and individuals.

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**Q18****Yes**

Do you support amending the current Kansas Act Against Discrimination to include the same protections for sexual orientation and gender identity?

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**Q19**

Please expand on your answer to the question above.

LGBTQ+ rights are human rights, period.

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**Q20****No**

Should public funding be available for private school tuition via tax credit scholarships, education savings accounts, vouchers or other methods? What is your opinion about the current funding for Kansas schools?

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**Q21**

Please expand on your answer to the question above.

No matter the "vehicle," I oppose all initiatives that funnel public tax dollars to private schools. While current school funding is set to meet the "adequacy" requirement in our Kansas constitution, that funding does not take into account the number of years where it did not, nor the costs of the pandemic on schools. As well, I believe Kansas children should have world class public education, not merely adequate schools.

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**Q22****Yes**

Do you support Medicaid expansion at a time when pandemic-induced job loss has left thousands of Kansans without health care coverage?

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**Q23**

Please expand on your answer to the question above.

I supported Medicaid expansion well before the pandemic. It makes sense from both moral and business perspectives. We have sent over \$4B of Kansans hard earned money to other states and the majority of Kansans support expansion.

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