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Q1

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Party Affiliation

Q3 KS House

Office Sought

Q4

District

46

Q5 Yes

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?

Q7

Please expand on your answer to the question above.

The fact that such decisions should be based on medical science is a no-brainer, but the decisionmakers still need to give consideration to possible economic consequences of each protective measure.

Q8**No**

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

Q9

Please expand on your answer to the question above.

There is no evidence of noncitizens voting in our elections and the ID requirement decreases turnout.

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?

Q11

Please expand on your answer to the question above.

I support the Second Amendment as interpreted by the US Supreme Court, not by the NRA. Reasonable gun safety measures can be enacted without violating the Second Amendment.

Q12**No**

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

Q13

Please expand on your answer to the question above.

I think the Court's finding that the state constitution contains a right to bodily autonomy is reasonable. The proposed constitutional amendment would allow a complete abortion ban in Kansas if Roe v. Wade is overturned.

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?

Q15

Please expand on your answer to the question above.

I have encouraged members of underrepresented groups in my community to seek public office and I have supported them when they have done so.

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?

Q17

Please expand on your answer to the question above.

Among other things, we need to do more to take away barriers to distributed solar electric generation, incentivize electric vehicle usage, and promote local food systems.

Q18**Yes**

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

Q19

Please expand on your answer to the question above.

I have cosponsored a bill that would do that.

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?

Q21

Please expand on your answer to the question above.

Public dollars should be spent on public education. I will do what I can to maintain our current level of education funding, but it will be difficult given the revenue shortfalls we will be facing in FY 2021 and FY 2022.

Q22

Yes

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

Q23

Please expand on your answer to the question above.

Medicaid expansion is long overdue in this date, and the pandemic has made our failure to do so unconscionable.
