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Q1

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56

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Incumbent?

Yes**Q6**

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?

Yes

Q7

Please expand on your answer to the question above.

We should follow the science, medical professionals and scientists understand the nature of the virus and develop strategies and medical protocols to fight the virus and save lives. That is what is important until a vaccine is developed.

Q8**Yes**

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.

Production of a valid DL or government ID card.

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.

There are laws on the books now for completing a background check-which is completed at the federal level. By closing several loop holes this small enhancement can save lives without changing the original intent of the law.

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.

Any amendment to the Kansas Constitution should be done carefully and with a robust discussion and debate.

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.

We can promote more diversity, more participation in government by a wide range of ideas and action. Encouraging more candidates of diverse race, economic and social backgrounds. Speaking with young people on how to get involved in the political process and communicate with church and community leaders to encourage people to get involved in the governmental affairs at local, state and federal levels.

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.

Follow the science-read and participate to enhance your understanding of climate change. Start legislation to have more research and studies completed. Legislation should be initiated upon completion of research studies.

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.

We should all be equal and have the same protections under law.

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.

Kansas already has tax credit scholarships and savings accounts. Funding for schools at the start of the 2020 legislative session was on track. However because of the Covid-19 pandemic and the economic upheaval more funding may be necessary.

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.

I have always supported Medicaid Expansion and voted for it. Kansas pays in millions of dollars every year to the federal government. Some of that money should be returned to Kansas to fund Medicaid expansion. It will help over 135,000 Kansans, help small rural hospitals to continue to operate and provide jobs to our communities. Over 70 percent of the Kansas population have indicated they want Medicaid Expansion.
