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PAGE 2: CAMPAIGN INFORMATION

Q1: Candidate Name	Kelli Butler
Q2: Party Affiliation	Democrat
Q3: Legislative Chamber	House
Q4: Legislative District	28
Q5: Campaign Website	www.KelliButlerAZ.com
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PAGE 3: BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Q8: Have you ever been involved in any animal protection issues?

YES,

Comments

This year, I worked to raise awareness and fight SB1248, the bill that prevents cities from banning the sale of puppies born in inhumane conditions. I'm a vegetarian because I believe it's cruel to consume animals.

Q9: Do you have, or have you had in the past, any companion animals that have had an impact on you?

YES,

Comments

All my life, my family has always included dogs. I truly can't imagine living without a canine companion! As we raised our two boys, we always encouraged their love of animals - we had a menagerie of hamsters, gerbils, frogs, fish and birds. When my grandfather passed away, we got a rescue Westie for my grandmother. She and Duffy were inseparable and he brought her tremendous joy. Companion animals can make a tremendous positive difference in people's lives.

Q10: Do you financially or philosophically support any local or national animal protection organizations?

YES,

If so, which ones?
I've volunteered at the Arizona Humane Society and Home Fur Good.

PAGE 4: FARM ANIMALS

Q11: Do you support removing farm animals and horses from protection under Arizona's animal cruelty law and placing them under new, weaker laws in the agriculture code?

NO

PAGE 5: CITIZEN INITIATIVE PROCESS AND ANIMAL PROTECTION

Q12: Do you support Arizona's public initiative process?

YES

Q13: If YES, what steps would you take to protect our public initiative process?

As a State Legislator, I will work to protect the vitally important public initiative process. We must fight back against measures that threaten citizens' ability to have a direct impact on their government.

PAGE 6: ANIMAL CRUELTY LAW

Q14: Do you support strengthening Arizona's animal cruelty laws to correct loopholes that make it difficult to prosecute animal abusers?

YES,

Comments
We should have strict penalties for those who abuse defenseless animals, especially repeat offenders.

Q15: Would you support legislation to make it more difficult for egregious acts of animal cruelty charged as felonies to be reduced to misdemeanors?

YES

PAGE 7: WILDLIFE AND HABITAT

Q16: Do you support a process that includes less than 1% of hunters & anglers and limits the voice of a majority of Arizonans to participate in the Arizona Game & Fish Commission appointment process?

NO,

Comments
I am extremely concerned about the increasingly partisan make up of boards and commissions in Arizona. The public interest is best served when a range of informed and interested citizens are able to participate.

Q17: Do you believe that the AZ Game and Fish Commission Appointment Recommendation Board should be repealed?

YES

PAGE 8: ENDANGERED WOLVES

Q18: Do you support legislation that weakens protection for endangered Mexican gray wolves?

NO,

Comments

Mexican gray wolves play a critical role in our ecosystem and should be protected.

PAGE 9: CAPTIVE DOLPHINS IN ARIZONA

Q19: Do you support captive dolphin programs for human entertainment?

NO,

Comments

The plan to exploit captive dolphins for entertainment is horrific and cruel. I am thoroughly opposed to this development.

PAGE 10: ANIMAL CONTROL

Q20: Do you believe that Arizona should have more uniform animal control laws to prevent inhumane treatment of animals?

YES
