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Page 2: CAMPAIGN INFORMATION

**Q1**

Candidate Name

Brian Garcia

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**Q2**

Legislative District

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**Q3**

**House**

Legislative Chamber

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**Q4**

**Democrat**

Party Affiliation

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**Q6**

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**Q7**

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Page 3: BACKGROUND INFORMATION

**Q8**

Have you ever been involved in any animal protection issues?

**YES,**

Comments:

I have amplified messaging for the Animal Legal Defense Fund via their "ROAR" social media ambassador program.

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**Q9**

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

**YES,**

Comments:

Yes. All of my pets have had an impact on my life. I currently have three dogs – Olivia Pup (named after Olivia Pope), Coco, and Yankee (despite being born and raised in Arizona, my brother loves the Yankees). Of course our other dogs who have passed on – August, Daisy, Rocky, and Baby. We have had many fish and two lovebirds – Chip and Dale.

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**Q10**

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

**YES,**

If so, which ones?:

I have donated to organizations to advance issues or support their work. For an example, I've sponsored a pig from the Ironwood Pig Sanctuary in southern Arizona and helped redevelop their site. I have amplified messaging for the Animal Legal Defense Fund via their "ROAR" social media ambassador program. Additionally, in law school, took a course in Animal Law to become a better legal advocate for animals. Finally, I support organizations like the Nonhuman Rights Project and Advancing Law for Animals.

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**Q11**

If elected, would you be interested in sponsoring or working on legislation to protect animals?

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**Yes**

Page 4: RESCUING ANIMALS FROM ABUSIVE CONDITIONS

**Q12**

Do you support the ability of law enforcement or animal control officers to seize animals who are in imminent danger of severe injury or death without a search warrant?

Comment:

Generally, I'm inclined to support animal control officers to seize animals who are in imminent danger of severe injury or death. However, considering animals are considered "property," should we reconsider their status with more legal protections beyond just property?

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Page 5: THE WORKING ANIMAL PROTECTION ACT

**Q13**

**YES**

Would you oppose legislation that prohibits local governments from enacting any ordinances to address inhumane treatment of working animals?

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Page 6: DOGFIGHTING AND COCKFIGHTING

**Q14**

**YES**

Do you support adding dogfighting and cockfighting to the RICO statute to enable law enforcement to crack down on animal fighting rings by defeating the financial incentive to commit the crime?

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Page 7: CITIZEN INITIATIVE PROCESS AND ANIMAL PROTECTION

**Q15**

**YES**

Do you support Arizona's public initiative process?

**Q16**

If YES, what steps would you take to protect citizen initiatives?

As a voting rights attorney, I oppose any efforts to weaken our initiatives process. Steps to protect include: voting against legislative referrals that attempt to weaken initiatives, organizing constituents to provide public comment in support of initiatives, and working to defeat any anti-democracy legislation or referrals that make it on to the ballot.

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Page 8: IMPROVING ANIMAL CRUELTY LAWS

**Q17**

**YES,**

Do you support amending the state animal cruelty law to clarify standards of care for domestic animals?

Comment:

Generally, yes. However, I would want to understand the exact defining language in any future legislation.

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Page 9: PUPPY MILLS

**Q18**

Would you support repealing the law that preempts cities from banning the sale of dogs from puppy mills?

**YES,**

Comments:

I would be more than happy to work on ending puppy mills and pre-emption – especially as a Tempe resident. I'm running alongside Lauren Kuby who is running for the state senate and I can see this as a bill where we could co-sponsor in each respective chamber.

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Page 10: BAN ON CAT DECLAWING

**Q19**

Do you support legislation to prohibit non-therapeutic declawing of cats?

**YES**

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Page 11: ARIZONA GAME & FISH COMMISSION

**Q20**

Do you oppose a process that limits the voice of a majority of Arizonans to participate in the Arizona Game & Fish Commission appointment process?

**YES**

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Page 12: ENDANGERED MEXICAN WOLVES

**Q21**

Do you support the recovery of endangered Mexican gray wolves in Arizona to help maintain a healthy ecosystem?

**YES**

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Page 13: FARM ANIMALS

**Q22**

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

**YES**

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