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Page 2: CAMPAIGN INFORMATION

Q1

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Page 3: BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Q8

Have you ever been involved in any animal protection issues?

NO

Q9

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

YES,

Comments:

My dogs haven't been formally designated as service/support animals, but every dog I've had has left a mark - they're part of our family.

Q10

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

NO,

If so, which ones?:

Our family philosophically supports all of the animal rescues in our area. Our dogs have been rescues from shelters, we don't buy from breeders. We support local shelters through Amazon/Prime.

Q11

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

Yes,

Comments:

We live in rural Arizona where animals are - and have always been - part of our family (usually they get treated better!).

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?

YES,

Comment:

It seems like we need to update our animal protection laws to coincide with warrants for other offenses involving people. The detail is important because private property rights are critical and ag/rural animals need to be respected, but cases of clear neglect/abuse with household animals like dogs and cats should be recognized and treated with immediate attention.

Page 5: THE WORKING ANIMAL PROTECTION ACT

Q13

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

Comments:

The detail is important. There is a big difference between herding dogs and puppy mills/circus. I will look to my local jurisdictions, industry, and job creators, because our district is largely rural and we need to protect working farms and agriculture from government overreach while prosecuting egregious animal abuse and violent offenders. Most importantly I'm open to discussing the legislation because the question doesn't clearly demonstrate the difference between deadly carriage operators and herding dogs.

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?

Page 7: CITIZEN INITIATIVE PROCESS AND ANIMAL PROTECTION

Q15 Respondent skipped this question

Do you support Arizona's public initiative process?

Q16 Respondent skipped this question

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

Page 8: IMPROVING ANIMAL CRUELTY LAWS

Q17 Respondent skipped this question

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

Page 9: PUPPY MILLS

Q18 Comments:

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

More information is required. Animals should not be abused and breeders that violate federal law should not be allowed to operate in any state. AG Mayes should investigate the puppy mill operators and hold them accountable.

Page 10: BAN ON CAT DECLAWING

Q19

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

Respondent skipped this question

Page 11: ARIZONA GAME & FISH COMMISSION

Q20 Respondent skipped this question

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

Page 12: ENDANGERED MEXICAN WOLVES

Q21 Respondent skipped this question

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

Page 13: FARM ANIMALS

Q22 Respondent skipped this question

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?