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Page 2: CAMPAIGN INFORMATION

**Q1**

Candidate Name

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**Q2**

Legislative District

Arizona LD 15

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**Q3**

**Senate**

Legislative Chamber

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**Q4**

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Party Affiliation

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**Q6**

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Page 3: BACKGROUND INFORMATION

**Q8**

Have you ever been involved in any animal protection issues?

**YES,**

Comments:

Adam Pres a dog from Denver CO Dumb Friends League

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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:

We had a shelter dog named Duke. He was about 5 when we adopted him. We saw him come into the shelter all matted. The vets there had to pull some teeth before we could take him home. He'd had 2 micro chips in him, but both were dead ends. He was a smart small dog with a big name and an amazing heart. He was a very active dog. At about 7 yrs old he went blind from macular degeneration. It slowed him a little, but we made some accommodations and he did fine. We even got him a puppy and together they'd play with toys and have tugs of wars. We had a doggie door and he always used it, even blind. Duke was an inspiration to all of us for how he dealt with his blindness. He walked 3 miles per day up until his death. He was a great dog.

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**Q10**

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

**NO,**

If so, which ones?:

Not since we moved here from Denver.

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**Q11**

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

**Yes,**

Comments:

Absolutely. Animal cruelty and puppy mills are horrible for our society.

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Page 4: BAN ON CAT DECLAWING

**Q12**

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

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**YES**

Page 5: ARIZONA GAME & FISH COMMISSION

**Q13**

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,**

Comments:

This practice must be stopped immediately. We want the best and brightest on this board. Wildlife Mgmt must be science based. Especially as we have climate change. The warming of our streams and continued drought will put even more pressure on our wildlife as AZ continues to grow.

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**Q14**

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

**YES,**

Comments:

Now!

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Page 6: CITIZEN INITIATIVE PROCESS AND ANIMAL PROTECTION

**Q15**

Do you support Arizona's public initiative process?

**YES**

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**Q16**

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

The bar must be high for citizen initiatives, but not unreasonably so. Our current Republican legislature seems to do or not do what they want without any input from the true stakeholders. We have seen several initiatives that passed overwhelmingly, but the legislature attacks the voters will again and again. We must turn our legislature Blue if we truly want progress

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Page 7: PUPPY MILLS

**Q17**

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

**YES,**

Comments:

We need to let communities make local decisions. The laws that preempt local control must end. This is Legislative overreach at its worst.

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Page 8: ENDANGERED MEXICAN WOLVES

**Q18**

Do you support keeping Mexican gray wolves in Arizona to help maintain healthy herds of deer and elk?

**YES,**

Comments:

Nature needs to have balance. What has happened in Yellowstone NP is amazing. Adding this predator has positively affected so much there in a relatively short amount of time. So many wonderful benefits to the flora and fauna there with their reintroduction.

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**Q19**

Do you support the protection of endangered species?

**YES,**

Comments:

Once they 're gone, they are gone forever. Our encroachment and climate change is accelerating the end for many species. Mother Earth is sending us a message. We need to hear it.

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Page 9: FARM ANIMALS

**Q20**

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,**

Comments:

All animals deserve reasonable conditions. Inhumane treatment must be stopped.

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