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2020 Pierce County Democrats Endorsement Questionnaire

-Partisan Election-

Candidate name: \_\_\_\_**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**\_\_\_\_

Position sought: **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Date submitted: \_\_**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Candidate qualities and conduct**: The Pierce County Democratic Central Committee endorses and supports qualified Democrats seeking elected office. When deciding whether to recommend endorsement, the Endorsements Committee may consider the candidate’s dedication to Democratic Party values and principles, the viability of the campaign, and the candidate’s qualifications for office, among other things. Endorsed candidates are discouraged from supporting non-Democratic candidates or from supporting any candidate who doesn’t represent Democratic values. Endorsed candidates should distinguish themselves from any Democratic opponents in an objectively fair, informational, and non-confrontational fashion.

**By submitting this endorsement questionnaire, I publicly affirm:**

* I am a Democrat and will uphold Democratic Party values.
* I will abide by the above principles of conduct.

You may respond N/A (not applicable) if appropriate. Expand or decrease space as needed.

Questions

1. Why are you running for this particular office?

2. What are your qualifications (traditional or not) for seeking this elected office?

3. What are the 1 - 3 most important issues for your district or your elected body/office?

4. Why should the Pierce County Democratic Party support you for this position, and how have you demonstrated Democratic values?

5. When elected, how will you make yourself accessible, and how would you obtain constituent input on issues and decisions?

6. How have you previously provided and how would you increase access and influence for people and groups that may lack them?

7. Do you support unrestricted access to reproductive health care for all women, including the right to abortion?

8. What are the core functions of the elected office/body you seek; how can you improve them?

9. Please list any key endorsements.

IF ELECTED TO THIS POSITION (*some questions may not be applicable*):

10. What would you do to ensure that your constituents each have a truly equal and fair opportunity to succeed based on merit and effort, rather than pre-existing status or classification?

11. What benefits and problems come from increasing population; how would you address them?

12. How would you support workers, including union workers, whether employed privately or by government?

13. What policies and actions would you take to protect and improve the natural environment?

14. What would you do to increase housing access and decrease income inequality?

15. Identify any budget challenges for your elected office/body; how would you deal with them?

16. How will you approach safety, police, and court system issues – and what are they?

17. Finally, any additional comments you would like to share with the Committee: