

VOTER GUIDE – NOVEMBER ELECTION
CITY of SOUTHFIELD

Tuesday, November 7, 2017
POLLS ARE OPEN 7:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OAKLAND AREA

Website: www.lwvoa.org **E-mail:** contact@lwvoa.org **Phone:** 248-594-6602

Go to www.LWVOA.org and Click on 'Candidate Forums' for 10/3 forum information.

2 Candidates for MAYOR for ONE 4-year term

<p>CANDIDATES for Mayor ONE 4-year term <i>Vote for no more than ONE</i></p>	<p>Question 1: Please provide biographical information and explain why you are running for Mayor and relevant qualities and skills you would bring to the position.</p>	<p>Question 2: What are the top 3 Priority Issues that the city should address and what actions would you take regarding each of them?</p>
<p>KENSON SIVER 18410 Magnolia Parkway Southfield, MI 48075</p>	<p>Ken Siver has been an active member of the Southfield community for 50 years. He is active in a host of community organizations including the Magnolia Neighborhood Association (treasurer), the Southfield Historical Society (trustee & past president), Southfield Parks & Garden Club (Garden Walk Chair), the Southfield Non-Profit Housing Board (president), the Southfield/Lathrup Village Democratic Club (president) and long involved in local environmental causes. For 45 years he served as a teacher and administrator in the Southfield Public Schools. His last position before retirement in 2011, was Deputy Superintendent. In retirement, he continues to serve as a volunteer in the public schools.</p> <p>Siver was elected to the Southfield City Council in 2001 and re-elected in 2005, 2009 and 2013. He was elected Mayor of Southfield in 2015. He is the author of three books on the history of Southfield, including Southfield: The History of our City in its 50th Year and Southfield Faces the Crucial Decades: The Development of a Suburb & its School System in the Years Following World War II.</p>	<p>Roads, neighborhoods, public safety, redevelopment and the attraction and retention of businesses are always on the top of Mayor Ken Siver's agenda. As a councilman and mayor he supported the rebuilding off Southfield's roads, sewers & water mains. Mayor Siver believes strongly in neighborhood vitality. As such he has developed numerous partnerships to reinvest and maintain Southfield's housing stock. Code enforcement is a priority. The mayor believes in excellent police, fire and EMS services and supports training & new equipment for the city's first responders. With Southfield's boom years decades past, redevelopment is key to the city's future. Turning the former Northland Center into a new mixed use development is paramount, as is the continued creation of the Southfield City Centre District & developing a sense of place with public art and walkable spaces. With 29 million square feet of office space, Southfield has to continually work to retain and attract new businesses. Siver notes that over 2500 new jobs have come to the city in the past year alone.</p>
<p>MARC MOTLEY <i>(Write-in)</i> 22145 Maplewood Dr. Southfield, MI 48033</p>	<p align="center">DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR INCLUSION</p>	

CITY OF SOUTHFIELD (Continued)

3 Candidates for CLERK for ONE 4-year term

<p>CANDIDATES for Clerk <u>Clerk</u> ONE 4-year term <i>Vote for no more than ONE</i></p>	<p>Question 1: Please provide biographical information and explain why you are running for Clerk and relevant qualities and skills you would bring to the position.</p>	<p>Question 2: What are the top 3 Priority Issues that the city should address and what actions would you take regarding each of them?</p>
<p>TARITA DARDEN P. O. Box 3813 Southfield, MI 48037</p>	<p>My professional career has involved possessing strong skills in leadership, problem solving, and customer service. I successfully managed my own office with Allstate Insurance, trained licensed solicitors, and maintained a fiduciary responsibility. I handled all Accounts Payable and Accounts Receivable. I have knowledge of procuring contracts along with understanding laws impacting my job. I have served as a Certified Complaint Resolutions Officer under 14 CFR Part 382. I have been awarded National Honor Ring-Allstate Insurance, Outstanding Leadership Award-Waste Management N.A., & continue to receive Outperform Recognition Awards from United Airlines customers. I am running for Southfield City Clerk to maintain the integrity and professionalism of the office. I am committed to the betterment of our city for all people as a 25 year resident! My children have attended Southfield Public Schools and are registered voters. I have worked directly and indirectly with our elected officials. I run to provide citizens with accessible information as the Official Records Keeper.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Voter Apathy Educate our younger voters and college students by meeting with school officials and conducting Voters Registration Drives. 2. Technology Provide ongoing training on the use of our new Election Equipment & Software. 3. Customer Service Disseminate information and cross train in order for our city to continue to work seamlessly with zero defects. The Southfield City Clerk must exhibit professionalism, leadership, and understanding of issues facing our community. Throughout my career, I have worked with various software, and understand the importance of learning new technology to help streamline processes within a company. Continuing education is also important. I would continue my education as a Southfield City Clerk to achieve a Masters Municipal Clerk (MMC) professional designation.

CITY OF SOUTHFIELD (Continued)

<p>CANDIDATES for Clerk <u>Clerk</u> ONE 4-year term <i>Vote for no more than ONE</i></p>	<p>Question 1: Please provide biographical information and explain why you are running for Clerk and relevant qualities and skills you would bring to the position.</p>	<p>Question 2: What are the top 3 Priority Issues that the city should address and what actions would you take regarding each of them?</p>
<p>DERRICK F. HALE 17390 Roxbury Ave. Southfield, MI 48075</p>	<p>Derrick F. Hale Married Sharon L. Hale 5 Adult Children Education: Murray-Wright High School, Wayne State University, BA (Communications) Davenport University University (MBA Candidate) Professional Former State Representative 14th House District (1997-2002) Community Organizer, Election Inspector City of Southfield, Community Associations: Magnolia Park Association, Martin Luther King Task Force, Southfield/Lathrup Village Democratic Club, (ACYPL) American Council of Young Political Leaders, German Marshall Fund, (CLUW) Coalition of Labor Union Women</p> <p>Qualities that I bring to the office of Clerk for the City of Southfield: Leadership being elected State Representative of the 14th House District I bring leadership to the office of Clerk, as a State Representative for 3 two year terms I served on various committees and serving 87,000 constituents. I have also had the opportunity thru various memberships to study government abroad this information I share with the residents of Southfield. One more important quality I bring to office of Clerk of Southfield, I come from the community.</p>	<p>1. Voter Apathy 2. Redistricting 3. Office of the Clerk</p> <p>Addressing voter apathy, as the new Clerk of Southfield, I will establish an ambassador program thru the Clerk's office that will go out in to the community and engage the community concerning the importance of voting and how it impacts every person's life.</p> <p>Addressing the Redistricting process: I want to make sure as the Clerk of Southfield that i will be engaged in the process and making sure that the redistricting lines that the City of Southfield are included in are fair and accurate.</p> <p>Office of the Clerk: I want to make the office of the Clerk of Southfield is open and Transparent to the citizens of the city of Southfield.. I will provide open forums and community outreach programs that will provide valuable information to the tax payers and citizens of the Southfield</p>

CITY OF SOUTHFIELD (Continued)

<p>CANDIDATES for Clerk <u>Clerk</u> ONE 4-year term <i>Vote for no more than ONE</i></p>	<p>Question 1: Please provide biographical information and explain why you are running for Clerk and relevant qualities and skills you would bring to the position.</p>	<p>Question 2: What are the top 3 Priority Issues that the city should address and what actions would you take regarding each of them?</p>
<p>SHERIKIA L. HAWKINS 18615 Autumn Ln. Southfield, MI 48076</p>	<p>Sherikia Lavette Hawkins is a native Michigander and seasoned City Clerk; serving as a City Clerk in Oakland County for the last 6 years. Sherikia’s educational background includes a Bachelor’s degree in Communication from Oakland University and her Master’s Degree in Political Science from Eastern Illinois University. She holds the IIMC designation of CMC – Certified Municipal Clerk.</p> <p>Sherikia is the proud wife of Jahquan C. Hawkins; a higher education professional, She is also the loving mother of their only son Donovan.</p> <p>I am running for Southfield City Clerk because I am passionate about open and honest government, and I pride myself on being extremely responsive to the resident's needs. I will bring strong transparent leadership to the office and I am a leader that believes in civic engagement and collective impact. I will make sure that all residents are well informed this will include consistent voter outreach through voter registration and education drives. Lastly, I am experienced and have administered 13 elections in Oakland County and I am ready to serve on day one.</p>	<p>As a City Clerk I believe that one of the most important priorities will be operational excellence and efficiency. We must continually improve operational processes and enhance our services through efficient and effective methods and solutions to ensure that we are a city that is customer-focused, consistent, responsible, and pro-active.</p> <p>Secondly, customer service is very important, The City Clerk's office should always provide services in an open and transparent manner, awhile building cooperative partnerships and strong working relationships. The City Clerk's office should be willing to identify opportunities to extend and improve the services that are provided to meet the changing needs of our diverse community and customer base.</p> <p>Lastly, but certainly very important, The City Clerk's Office must be committed to Civic Engagement. We must enable and promote civic engagement through the electoral process, participation in public meetings, outreach to and partnerships with community organizations, schools, and the business owners in the City of Southfield.</p>

CITY OF SOUTHFIELD (Continued)

2 Candidates for TREASURER for ONE 4-year term

<p>CANDIDATES for Treasurer</p> <p>ONE 4-year term <i>Vote for no more than ONE</i></p>	<p>Question 1: Please provide biographical information and explain why you are running for Treasurer and relevant qualities and skills you would bring to the position.</p>	<p>Question 2: What are the top 3 Priority Issues that the city should address and what actions would you take regarding each of them?</p>
<p>IRV M. LOWENBERG 17125 Goldwin Dr. Southfield, MI 48075</p>	<p>DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR INCLUSION</p>	
<p>JOHN EDWARDS <i>(Write-in)</i> 25055 W. Ten Mile Rd. Southfield, MI 48033</p>	<p>I am the 5th oldest of 13 siblings, raised on the east side of Detroit by my parents who created their own appliance repair business - in the early 60's. As my dad went on to become a pastor, my siblings and I were raised without television, and to this day have careers that require reading and synthesis of information.</p> <p>I chose technology, and after returning from Japan, having worked as an international intern for two Japanese companies, I returned to Wayne State University where I finished my bachelors.</p> <p>In 1993 I received a million+ contract from the Detroit Public Schools to assist them in rolling out internet access and web pages to it's then 480 schools and buildings.</p> <p>I rode the internet wave and created several other successful companies. Since 2003, I have been CEO of my own company - American Internet Group, LLC, which helps schools districts, charter schools, and community colleges integrate internet access and network infrastructures throughout the US.</p> <p>As the city is now over 70% African American, I hope to help usher in a new day of competent professionalism.</p>	<p>As a resident since 2008, I have seen road maintenance and repairs decline tremendously. Additionally, the current Treasurer's office, with assistance by the Mayor and City Council, have created several policies that have pushed long time residents out of their homes through tax foreclosures - although the city reaped the benefit by selling the properties at full-market-value, taking advantage of resident's impacted by the massive economic downturn. Also high-tech jobs for our leaders of tomorrow are sorely missing.</p> <p>Lastly, the city, through it's Code Enforcement Division, has began harassing residents whose septic tanks fail the annual certification process, by demanding that they spend \$20,000 - \$50,000 to connect to the city's sewers.</p> <p>I believe that the Treasurer's Office is supposed to be a conduit that assist homeowners in maintaining their largest asset, oftentimes their home. Also I believe the Treasurer's Office should be an open and inviting place that assists residents and businesses in formulating budgets and solutions to maintain their homes and businesses.</p>

CITY OF SOUTHFIELD (Continued)

8 Candidates for CITY COUNCIL

THREE 4-year terms (three highest vote totals) and ONE 2-year term (fourth highest vote total)

<p>CANDIDATES for City Council</p> <p>THREE 4-year terms and ONE 2-year term <i>Vote for no more than FOUR</i></p>	<p>Question 1: Please provide biographical information and explain why you are running for City office and relevant qualities and skills you would bring to the position.</p>	<p>Question 2: What are the top 3 Priority Issues that the city should address and what actions would you take regarding each of them?</p>
<p>LLOYD C. CREWS 17239 New Jersey Southfield, MI 48075</p>	<p align="center">DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR INCLUSION</p>	
<p>MYRON FRASIER 23460 Brandywynne Southfield, MI 48033</p>	<p align="center">DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR INCLUSION</p>	
<p>SARA HABBO P. O. Box 3390 Southfield, MI 48037</p>	<p>I am a product of Southfield Public Schools, a proud graduate of Vandenberg Elementary, Thompson Middle School and Southfield-Lathrup High School, and have been a resident for about 17 years. I have learned the importance of service through my experiences in high school, whether through volunteering with FitKids360 or providing free legal services with MACC Legal. I continued to pursue my passion for service through my undergraduate career at University of Detroit - Mercy, and even further through my graduate experience at Michigan State University College of Law by working with the Boys and Girls Club of Lansing and participating in MSU College of Law's Street Law program, teaching high school students about Constitutional Law and its impact on their daily lives. Though I left Southfield for a brief period of time during educational pursuits, I have always had strong ties to the community that helped me build a solid foundation for my aspirations.</p>	<p>There are many priorities that residents have shared, but the most consistent issues were regarding roads, safety, and the focus on businesses over residential needs.</p> <p>There should be a focus on using quality materials to create durable roads and using innovative methods to make the work sustainable like using plastic to help roads last longer. We must maintain the roads as well, which requires creative methods of snow removal, so that the salt does not erode our streets too quickly.</p> <p>The way to keep safe neighborhoods is to encourage community policing. Residents can look after each other to encourage community trust with their neighbors. There should be free programming for families, so that kids have activities during the summers to stop petty crimes from happening, as well.</p> <p>Fostering business growth should not come at the cost of the residents. Large corporations do not need personal property tax abatement. Those taxes can and should be used to serve residents. Small businesses should be supported with creative programs, such as tax credits and abatement, to foster growth.</p>

CITY OF SOUTHFIELD (Continued)

<p>CANDIDATES for City Council</p> <p>THREE 4-year terms and ONE 2-year term <i>Vote for no more than FOUR</i></p>	<p>Question 1: Please provide biographical information and explain why you are running for City office and relevant qualities and skills you would bring to the position.</p>	<p>Question 2: What are the top 3 Priority Issues that the city should address and what actions would you take regarding each of them?</p>
<p>HAROLD HILL 22300 Seminole Southfield, MI 48033</p>	<p>Harold Hill is an ethical, forward-thinking, visionary leader who has been a resident of the City of Southfield formore than27 years.</p> <p>He began his quest for public office three years ago after being encouraged to attend a city council meeting and seeing what he believed could be better operating efficiencies for this City he loves. Thereafter, he became a regular council meeting attendee. He has had an eagle-eye on the process of running the City and become a well-known, vocal advocate when needed to protect his neighbors. Harold is a formidable advisory, when necessary, and has inspired city leadership to “do the right thing” for residents and Southfield businesses.</p> <p>Harold’s helping nature coupled with his marketing expertise, high energy and passion for Southfield sealed his decision to run for public office.</p> <p>“Listening and learning more about the dynamics that make our city operate and gaining a better understanding of the importance of managing our assets compelled me to step in to my comfort zone and run”, says Harold. “I work in Flint. Access to clean water is paramount.</p>	<p>1 Water and Sewage - We should strive to do better than the EPA or even Southfields standards for municipalities to protect our water. I will seek to monitor the water for better safety for municipalities and the residents and businesses in Southfield..</p> <p>2 Effective Spending of our Tax Dollars — I plan on being a very active member of the budget committee to insure our tax dollars are spent in the most efficient way. Streamlining the budget post mortgage crisis is key to a financially sound and fiscally fit city.</p> <p>3 Strong Fire and Police - Maintain a salary for both departments that competes with other municipaolities to retain the best of the best among their teams.</p>

CITY OF SOUTHFIELD (Continued)

<p>CANDIDATES for City Council</p> <p>THREE 4-year terms and ONE 2-year term <i>Vote for no more than FOUR</i></p>	<p>Question 1: Please provide biographical information and explain why you are running for City office and relevant qualities and skills you would bring to the position.</p>	<p>Question 2: What are the top 3 Priority Issues that the city should address and what actions would you take regarding each of them?</p>
<p>CORETTA HOUGE 20086 Rodeo Ct. Southfield, MI 48075</p>	<p>For the past 7 years, I was appointed and reappointed by council and served with due diligence on the city’s ACS Commission, Southfield Employee Retirement Board, and the Southfield RHC Benefits Plan and Trust Board for which I served in leadership positions (selected as Chair several times over), working with city council, the city administrator and other city. Professionally, I’ve served within the health care industry in various leadership roles for nearly 30 years; I’ve served successfully in leadership roles at major health care organizations such as the Henry Ford Health System / Health Alliance Plan (HAP), U of M Health System & Hospital, and currently at BCBSM/BCN. I served students as an adjunct faculty at several local colleges and universities. I hold a Bachelor’s and Master’s degree, graduating Magna Cum Laude. I’m running on a platform of “Accountable and Accessible Governance.” I am not looking for a job or career rather I am competent and eager to be one of seven to serve the city as a council person. Read more about me and my platform at www.Coretta4Council.com.</p>	<p>For more info, please visit www.Coretta4Council.com</p> <p>(1) Ordinance 1571 – Probably the most urgent and life-impacting issue within the City now. Bottom line, the City failed to enforce this ordinance over the years by staying on top of certifications of septic systems. Homes have been sold and new owners were not aware of this ordinance and for years their septic systems went unnoticed by the City. The City failed in its obligation to monitor the 3-year certification requirement and now the City should: (i) revamp the certification requirement with a new starting point for all home owners in 2018 and (ii) make it a requirement of home owners selling their properties to disclose this requirement to new owners upon closing.</p> <p>(2) Road Repairs - Residents have been plagued for years with potholes and crumbling roads; we need to have road repair completed by employees and work more closely with the County/State to better completion timelines and proactive solutions.</p> <p>(3) Property Development - My plan offers suggestions for Northland and other ideas to bring new development to the City.</p>

CITY OF SOUTHFIELD (Continued)

<p>CANDIDATES for City Council</p> <p>THREE 4-year terms and ONE 2-year term</p> <p><i>Vote for no more than FOUR</i></p>	<p>Question 1: Please provide biographical information and explain why you are running for City office and relevant qualities and skills you would bring to the position.</p>	<p>Question 2: What are the top 3 Priority Issues that the city should address and what actions would you take regarding each of them?</p>
<p>NATHANIEL LEWIS, JR. 24665 W. Walden Rd. Apt. 2203 Southfield, MI 48033</p>	<p>Reverend Nathaniel Lewis, Jr. is an educator, ordained minister, public advocate, author, editor, and third degree Prince Hall Mason. Rev. Lewis has twenty years of experience as an educator for Detroit Public Schools, eight years of public office experience as a Trustee of Southfield Public School Board, and eight years of service as an ordained minister at Hartford Memorial Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor Charles G. Adams and Co-Pastor Christian Adams. Also, he has obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree in Social and Political Philosophy from University of Michigan and he has earned two Master of Arts degrees. In 2006, he received a Master of Arts degree in Education from Wayne State University, and in 2014 he received his second Master of Arts degree in Religion from Ashland Theological Seminary. For the most part, while studying at University of Michigan, he served as an intern in the United States House of Representatives and the Public Relations Department of the World Headquarters of Ford Motor Company. Awards: Outstanding public service from Mayor Kenson J. Siver</p>	<p>I plan to utilize the skills that I have acquired at the United States House of Representatives, the World Headquarters of Ford Motor Company, eight years of public office experience on Southfield Public School Board along with twenty years of experience as a Special Education Teacher to improve and enhance public safety, education, and job growth. I want to work towards a safer community by adding more street lights to the city and by increasing the number of firemen and policemen who service and protect the community. In regards to education, I want to collaborate with school officials to help every student acquire skills that will prepare them for college and the 21st Century job market, as well as, provide assistance to students who are classified as handicapped or who possess special needs. Equally important, I want to produce jobs for residents in the city by bringing businesses to the community, and by implementing free job training in computer literacy so that all residents of Southfield can be competitive in our vast and dynamic digital economy.</p>

CITY OF SOUTHFIELD (Continued)

<p>CANDIDATES for City Council</p> <p>THREE 4-year terms and ONE 2-year term <i>Vote for no more than FOUR</i></p>	<p>Question 1: Please provide biographical information and explain why you are running for City office and relevant qualities and skills you would bring to the position.</p>	<p>Question 2: What are the top 3 Priority Issues that the city should address and what actions would you take regarding each of them?</p>
<p>MICHAEL ARI MANDELBAUM 25109 Southwood Dr. Southfield, MI 48075</p>	<p>As your councilman, I continue to bring my skills and experiences from my community activism, schooling and work background, and combine it with being a husband and father of 3.</p> <p>Born in Southfield and a longtime local resident, I've been working as your Councilman and community advocate on behalf of ALL men, women and children who live, work, play, learn and worship in our neighborhoods. Raised with a strong spirit of volunteerism, especially to help the disadvantaged, I'm honored to have been involved with Southfield's Total Living Commission for six years, serving as its Chairman for five of them, working to improve quality of life for residents. I also serve on the board of the Southfield Non-Profit Housing Corporation, and am a member of the Martin Luther King Task Force.</p> <p>I'm a Senior Analyst at Blue Cross. I have a MBA from Wayne State and a Graduate Certificate in Project Management from LTU.</p>	<p>1) Economy: Continue recruiting & attracting new companies. The last 2 years, 20 new local businesses opened along with 6 major companies, creating over 2,000 jobs & a positive impact in tax revenue. I continue to support the rehab of apartment complexes, adding to housing stock. Redeveloping Northland is a top priority & I am committed to attracting the best developments.</p> <p>2) Neighborhoods: Prioritizing strong training for our officers to ensure fast response times, proper staffing & equipment. Crime rate has decreased 10 straight years. Collaborating with Public Works to fix roads, sidewalks & sewers. Work with the Non-Profit Housing Board, caring for 3 senior complexes. Work to increase property values revising ordinances.</p> <p>3) Community: Work with the approved 5-year City Master & 5-year Parks & Rec Plans, ensuring new equipment & increased programming for all residents. Continue working to preserve valuable services to our community. Holding government accountable to its citizens, residents will know where & how money is spent. Using technology to create efficiencies.</p>

CITY OF SOUTHFIELD (Continued)

<p>CANDIDATES for City Council</p> <p>THREE 4-year terms and ONE 2-year term <i>Vote for no more than FOUR</i></p>	<p>Question 1: Please provide biographical information and explain why you are running for City office and relevant qualities and skills you would bring to the position.</p>	<p>Question 2: What are the top 3 Priority Issues that the city should address and what actions would you take regarding each of them?</p>
<p>LINNIE TAYLOR 29221 Somerset Dr. Southfield, MI 48076</p>	<p>I have lived in the City of Southfield for the past thirty years where I have raised four children. I also work in Southfield at Federal Mogul where I work as a Senior Payroll Administrator. Over the last fifteen years I have served on the Library Board, the Board of Canvassers, the Planning Commission, and was unanimously appointed to City Council from 2009-2011.</p> <p>Between the Planning Commission and City Council I have been involved in several important projects in the city including: Northland, updating the master plan, limiting drilling in residential areas of the city, and preventing the privatization of our EMS services, which would have lead to higher response times for higher prices.</p> <p>I am endorsed by all of our local officials from local government up to national government including: Southfield Mayor Ken Siver, State Representative Jeremy Moss, State Senator Vincent Gregory, and Congresswoman Brenda Lawrence, as well as Rev. Dr. Carlyle F. Stewart III.</p>	<p>My top three priority issues for the City of Southfield are: transparency, sustainability and safety.</p> <p>I believe the city of Southfield needs to be as transparent as possible so the residents of Southfield can easily access where their taxes are going. As such, I will move that the city of Southfield uses its existing resources to televise all government meetings wherever possible. In addition, I will also support increasing the resources and information that is accessible to the public.</p> <p>While we are making the government more transparent, we need to focus on sustainability. On the Planning Commission I worked heavily on the master plan, and I will focus on building a Southfield that works for residents and businesses while preserving our beautiful city parks.</p> <p>Finally, we must support our award-winning fire, police, and safety by giving them the resources they need. I will support upgrading safety equipment wherever necessary and will work with these departments to make sure they have the resources they need to keep up their excellent work</p>

THERE ARE NO CITY PROPOSALS ON THE BALLOT.

The League of Women Voters is a nonpartisan national organization whose purpose is to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in government. The League never supports or opposes any candidate or political party. Candidate responses are included as submitted and have not been edited except in cases where the replies have exceeded the stated word limitations. **Spelling and Grammar were not corrected.** The inclusion of candidates' statements and opinions is solely in the interest of public service and in no way is to be construed as an endorsement by the League of Women Voters which takes no responsibility for any views or facts stated by the candidates.