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CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

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Office Sought _____ District / Ward _____

Incumbent? Yes No

If you are a State candidate, please indicate your State Registration Number: _____

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A. If we endorse you, will you use our name in your campaign materials? Yes  No   
If not, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
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B. If we endorse or support your candidacy, may we publish your name and campaign website to our website and in emails to our members and subscribers? Yes  No

C. If we decide to endorse or support your candidacy, we may offer you a cash contribution and/or a list of MN NOW members who live in your district. The list would constitute an in-kind contribution to your campaign. The value of the list would depend on the number of members on the list. We will report both the cash and in-kind contributions to state and local reporting agencies.

(NOTE: Contributions to state legislative candidates cannot be given during legislative sessions.)

Please check the types of contributions you would like from the MN NOW PAC and sign below. Also indicate any upper limit in the amount of cash or in-kind contribution requested.

Cash contribution? Yes  No  Upper limit \$ \_\_\_\_\_

In-kind contribution of list of MN NOW members in your district? Yes  No  Upper limit \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ National Organization for Women – Minnesota Chapter \_\_\_\_\_  
Political Action Committee

***NOW is a multi-issue organization, so we need to be informed of your positions on the following issues regardless of the position you are seeking. Please give specific answers to questions and answer completely. Use additional sheets if necessary. Please type or print legibly.***

*\* We have NOW position papers available on the starred questions. See our web site.*

----- **REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS** -----

- \*1) A. Do you support any limitations on a woman's access to abortion services? Yes  No   
*If yes, please explain:* \_\_\_\_\_
- B. Do you support governmental funding for abortion services? Yes  No
- C. Will you continuously work to repeal all laws that limit women's access to abortion services, including, but not limited to mandatory waiting periods, parental notification for minors, and mandating the use of non-scientific, ideologically based information to discourage women from having abortions? Yes  No   
*If no, please explain:* \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) Should pharmacists, stores, or store employees be allowed to refuse to fill birth control prescriptions or deny access to contraceptives, including but not limited to abortive medication, based on personal conscience or moral belief? Yes  No   
*If yes, please explain:* \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) Should pregnant individuals be allowed to manage abortions at home, including but not limited to the purchasing of abortive medication through telehealth? Yes  No   
*If no, please state reasons:* \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) Do you think science based, K-12 comprehensive sex education (including information on good/bad touch, consent, birth control, sexually transmitted diseases, disease prevention, and the full spectrum of human sexuality) should be taught in the public schools? Yes  No   
*If no, please state reasons:* \_\_\_\_\_

----- **CONSTITUTIONAL EQUALITY** -----

- 5) A. Do you support adding an Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) to the U. S. Constitution? Yes  No
- B. Do you support adding a state version of the ERA to the MN Constitution? Yes  No
- C. Do you support ratification of the United Nations Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) by the U.S. Senate? Yes  No
- D. Do you support ratification of the United Nations Convention on the Protection and Promotion of Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities by the U.S. Senate? Yes  No
- \*6) A. What is your definition of affirmative action? \_\_\_\_\_
- B. Do you support repealing affirmative action programs? Yes  No

7) What policies would you support to address discrimination at educational institutions, which may include sex, race, gender expression, or sexual orientation? \_\_\_\_\_  
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----- **LGBTQIA+ RIGHTS** -----

- \*8) Do you support legal marriage for same-sex, non-binary, and transgender couples? Yes  No
- 9) Do you support anti-bullying legislation to ensure every student, including but not limited to non-binary and transgender students, has a safe and supportive learning environment in school? Yes  No
- \*10) Do you support banning conversion therapy? Yes  No
- 11) Do you support including same-sex, non-binary, and transgender couples in immigration policy? Yes  No

----- **ELIMINATING RACISM** -----

12) A. How would you go about combating racism in your district and in Minnesota? \_\_\_\_\_  
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B. What policies would you support to address Minnesota's extreme racial disparities in employment, wealth, incarceration, and housing? \_\_\_\_\_  
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- 13) A. Do you support the decriminalization of undocumented immigrant workers? Yes  No
- B. Do you support policy to end the detention and deportation of undocumented immigrants? Yes  No
- C. Do you support policies to streamline pathways to citizenship for immigrants, including but not limited to undocumented, lawful permitted residents, refugees, asylum seekers, and Dreamers? Yes  No

14) What specific policies do you support to eliminate racial profiling by law enforcement? \_\_\_\_\_  
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15) What specific policies do you support to address the impact of climate change, which disproportionately impacts people of color and other marginalized communities? \_\_\_\_\_  
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----- **FREEDOM FROM VIOLENCE** -----

16) What specific policies do you support to end violence against women, which includes but is not limited to domestic violence, sexual assault, rape, modern slavery, honor killings, hate crimes, and murder? \_\_\_\_\_  
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- 17) A. Do you support an increase in governmental funding for battered women's services such as emergency shelters, transitional housing, and family visitation centers? Yes  No
- B. Do you support funding public awareness programs designed to end the silence surrounding domestic violence, family violence, and dating violence? Yes  No
- C. Do you support ending court action which punishes the victim and criminalizes trauma by allowing the courts to take into consideration domestic abuse experience by individuals when facing criminal charges? Yes  No
- D. Do you support the funding of violence prevention programs in public schools? Yes  No

E. Do you support a ban on assault weapons? Yes  No

What round limit, if any, would you put on magazines? \_\_\_\_\_

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18) How would you address the crisis of missing and murdered indigenous and black women and girls? \_\_\_\_\_

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----- **ECONOMIC JUSTICE** -----

\*19) A. There is currently a five-year lifetime limit for a household to receive welfare benefits. Do you think this time limit should be eliminated? Yes  No

Please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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B. Do you support removing any of the welfare work requirements? Yes  No

Please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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C. What governmental policies would you propose to alleviate poverty and increase opportunities for single parents and families? \_\_\_\_\_

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20) A. Do you support laws banning discrimination in pay for jobs of equal skill, effort, responsibility, and working conditions, even if the job titles are different? Yes  No

B. What specific policies do you support to assure that women have access to jobs that are disproportionately held by men, which include but are not limited to, science, technology, engineering, mathematics, firefighting, law enforcement, military, mining, construction, corporate executives, and tenured professors? \_\_\_\_\_

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C. What specific policies do you support to enact equitable pay for positions traditionally held by women, which include but are not limited to, home health care, childcare, teaching, nursing, and domestic work? \_\_\_\_\_

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21) Minnesota recently enacted paid family leave for workers. What other policies can the government implement to help parents balance job and family responsibilities? \_\_\_\_\_

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22) Do you support increasing the minimum wage? Yes  No

If yes, to what dollar amount? \_\_\_\_\_ Please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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23) Would you support giving Social Security credit, including credit toward eligibility and increased benefits, for time spent caregiving? Yes  No

24) What policy positions would you support to reduce the level of homelessness in our society, both immediately and in the long run? \_\_\_\_\_

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- 25) A. Do you support universal pre-K public education? Yes  No   
B. What policy positions do you support to alleviate the high cost of higher education?

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C. Do you support expanding student loan forgiveness? Yes  No   
*If so, for how much and who should qualify?* \_\_\_\_\_

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- 26) A. What policy positions do you support which invest in a green economy, including but not limited to zero carbon policies and green development? \_\_\_\_\_
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- B. Do you support open access to green technology globally? Yes  No

----- **HEALTH CARE** -----

- 27) Do you support universal single-payer health care? Yes  No   
*If no, please explain:* \_\_\_\_\_

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- 28) A. Do you support legislation which expands mental health care? Yes  No   
B. Do you support legislation which expands healthcare coverage for recovery from substance use disorder? Yes  No   
C. How would you support increasing the use of a person-centered approach in healthcare decisions?

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----- **LEADERSHIP** -----

- 29) What leadership have you taken on feminist issues, including but not limited to the issues addressed in this questionnaire? (We want to see your record of leadership in all types of activities, including but not limited to volunteer work, nonprofit work, neighborhood and community work, religious activities, etc. Assume we know nothing about you!) \_\_\_\_\_

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- 30) If elected, on what feminist issues will you take leadership? \_\_\_\_\_

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