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Position and District Sought*: Auditor, Clermont County

Are you an incumbent for this office?: NO

Have you previously held an elected position?: NO

: I am a businessman seeking my first political office.

: I will seek selected issue group endorsements such as Right to Life of Greater Cincinnati. In my race there is no party endorsement. I am running against a 24 year incumbent.

: (1) Moving Clermont County and the Auditor's office into the 21st century via a 12-point innovation plan with emphasis on efficiency, innovation and better insight for leaders and taxpayers because it is their money.
(2) Working to end self-interest, backroom deals, and crony contracts with an absolute focus on honesty, integrity and transparency.

1. Do you support reversal of Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton?: YES

Comment - Question 1: Reversal, making the issue a state vs. federal, is an essential step that I completely support and for which I pray. I, however, believe Federal Constitutional Rights start at conception and also seek a day in which that is the reading or we have a Human Life Amendment to the Constitution.

2. Do you support federal and state legislation to ban abortion-on-demand from fertilization to birth?: YES

Comment - Question 2: I believe life begins at conception and oppose abortion in all cases. Many times "exception" cases are highlighted (rape, incest, life of the mother, etc.). I am blessed to never have had to confront such a situation. I feel for anyone who does but come back to one simple truth: the baby is always innocent and deserves their opportunity. I also believe in love, and support and that everything is part of God's plan in some way even when it seems impossible for us to see.

3. Do you support legislation that prohibits distributing tax money for any reason to organizations that promote or perform abortions domestically and in foreign countries?: YES

Comment - Question 3: Tax dollars should never be used to support abortion in the United States let alone in foreign countries. I have traveled almost everywhere in the world. I shudder to think the message we send when US tax

everywhere in the world. I consider to think the message we send when US tax dollars are sent overseas with a message of "Let's help you control your population by killing your babies." Using tax dollars in such a way (domestic or international) kills babies and devalues the mother's life. It should be stopped in legislation and appropriation.

4. Do you support removal or prevention of county-provided health insurance benefits from including abortion coverage?: YES

Comment - Question 4: See my reply to question 3. This is a use of tax money in support of abortion and should be stopped.

5. Do you support exclusion of abortion coverage from indigent care and other countywide tax levies?: YES

Comment - Question 5: I also believe in love and support and in organizations private and public to help mothers and families. We have serious issues with the collapse of the nuclear family. Aborting babies is not a solution to those issues for women rich or poor.

6. Do you oppose abortion being funded, subsidized, or otherwise promoted in government programs or education?: YES

Comment - Question 6: Since I believe life begins at conception so to begin Constitutional rights. Thus, funding or subsidizing abortion or educating people that "it is ok" is encouraging violating Constitutional Rights.

7. Do you oppose any legislation that promotes or encourages healthcare rationing for the elderly and other vulnerable people?: YES

Comment - Question 7: I believe in the sanctity of life from birth to natural death. I oppose rationing or other forms of "playing God."

8. Do you support legislation prohibiting the killing of human embryos used for scientific research?: YES

Comment - Question 8: I oppose embryonic stem cell and other such research. I do not take that lightly as I have friends with Parkinson's (an area in which this debate rages). My view is life begins at conception (in or out of the womb). We must stand on that principle. I also believe non-embryonic research will ultimately be more productive.

9. Do you support legislation prohibiting all cloning of human beings?: YES

Comment - Question 9: This is another area in which even considering such things devalues life.

10. Do you support legislation prohibiting assisted suicide in Ohio?: YES

Comment - Question 10: I believe in the sanctity of life from birth to natural death. Assisted suicide is, to me, a criminal act. I know there are those who suffer and I am sure I cannot understand the pain some go through (people and families). We must respect life in our culture and its laws.

11. Do you support the union of one man and one woman as the only definition of marriage that should be legally recognized at all levels of government? : YES

Comment - Question 11: On life issues, we are at a wonderful time in which we can win over young people. I volunteered at American Legion Buckeye Boy's State and was positively amazed to see the life values in so many of the young men. We are making a difference for life. I believe sanctity of life is more important than this issue. I oppose same sex "marriage", adoption, etc. But life is a bigger issue (someone dies).

12. Will you oppose any law or regulation that infringes upon an

individual's or organization's rights or conscience by forcing participation in abortion or other immoral practices?: YES

Comment - Question 12: I am running for county auditor, so not a policy role. I completely oppose coercive practices to force involvement in practices against conscience. From an employer being forced to provide birth control down to a bakery being forced to bake a cake they consider to be immoral. Freedom cannot be an excuse to infringe on the rights of others.

13. Would you work actively to revoke any such laws, regulations or ordinances that infringe upon an individual's or organization's rights of conscience?: YES

Comment - Question 13: Absolutely, if I found them or they were brought to my attention. While county auditor is not a policy position, it is a role with influence and in which facts and insights can be shared to advance life and conscience.

14. List all organizations to which you have contributed time or money in the past four years.: Apologies if these are not all:

- Right to Life of Greater Cincinnati
- Stepping Stones
- Down Syndrome Association of Greater Cincinnati
- Redeemer Lutheran Church
- Goodwill
- American Legion (\$ / Boy's State)
- Chipping Away at Parkinson's (volunteer / UC Gardner Center / non-stem cell).

