

**COUNTY COMMISSION
ENDORSEMENT QUESTIONNAIRE
2022**

Candidate name: _____ Office sought: _____

District? _____ Incumbent? _Y N

Are you a member of the Hillsborough County LGBTQ+ Democratic Caucus? Y N

Are you a member of the Florida LGBTQ+ Democratic Caucus? Y N

Join us at
<https://bit.ly/hclgbtqdcjoin>

Membership status will not affect endorsement

Are you a member of the Hillsborough County Democratic Executive Committee? Y N

Campaign Contact: _____

Campaign Address: _____

Campaign Phone: _____ Campaign Email: _____

Campaign Website: _____

Campaign Facebook URL: _____

Campaign Twitter: _____

Campaign Instagram: _____

Please attach your campaign photo. If selected for endorsement, this photo will be used for all communications to our members and posted on our website and social media.

Answer the following with a brief YES, NO, or NO ANSWER and/or short explanation where deemed appropriate.

1. Why are you running for this office?

Domestic Partnerships

2. Do you support maintaining domestic partnership benefits to unmarried public employees, regardless of sexual orientation?

If so, how?

3. An equal benefits ordinance would require companies that contract with Hillsborough County to provide the same benefits to domestic partners that they provide to married employees and their spouses. Would you introduce an equal benefits ordinance to our county?

County Practices

4. Will you support including specific training regarding sexual orientation and gender identity/expression in diversity training programs for public employees?

5. Will you oppose any nominee to any Hillsborough County citizen advisory council or board who has a history of anti-LGBTQ+ activism?

Transgender Equality

6. Do you support transgender inclusive healthcare for county employees?

7. Would you support Single-Occupancy All-Gender Facilities in county buildings?

8. How would you support and protect the rights and safety of the transgender and similarly marginalized communities?

Other

9. Will you introduce the proclamations recognizing Tampa Pride in March and Pride Month in June, including recognition of the Pulse Nightclub Massacre?

10. Would you support a county-wide ban of the harmful practice of “conversion therapy” on persons under the age of 18? This is a “treatment” program based on the discredited theory that it can change one’s sexual orientation or gender identity/expression.

Financial

What is your overall budget for your campaign? _____

Who is your Campaign Manager? _____

Field Director? _____

Campaign Treasurer? _____

Paid Staff? Y N Number of staff members _____

If you have a primary, what is your fundraising goal for the primary, and for the general?

Primary _____ General _____

How much has your campaign raised thus far? (required) _____

What is your win number? _____

Other

Please list current endorsements you have received:

Is there anything else you would like us to know about why the LGBTQ community should support your candidacy?

How long have you been a registered Democrat? _____

By signing this questionnaire, you are stating that if selected you would accept the Hillsborough County LGBTQ+ Democratic Caucus' public support and endorsement including, but not limited to, our website and other social media.

Further, you hereby agree not to accept financial support or endorsements of any kind from individuals or groups that are anti-LGBTQ+. Acceptance may result in revoking of our endorsement.

By signing below I, (candidate's printed name) _____, confirm that these answers have been reviewed and approved by me and reflect my views on these issues.

Signature _____

Date (MM/DD/YYYY) _____

Additional Comments (due to space limitations, comments may not be included in all candidate summaries):

Return your questionnaire by email to: endorsements@hillsboroughlgbtdems.org

Questions should be mailed to: campaign@hillsboroughlgbtdems.org

We ask that you return your completed questionnaire no later than 10 days after the qualifying period.