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Current Occupation/Position: Carson City Ward 1 Supervisor

Candidate for: Assembly District 40

Campaign Manager: None

Political Party Affiliation: Democrat

Previous Elected/Appointed Positions: Elected for three terms as the Ward 1 Supervisor for the Carson City Board of Supervisors. Also appointed to the Carson Water

Subconservancy District and to the Open Space Advisory Committee. Currently president of the Nevada Association of Counties

Do you have any Building experience or Builders participating in your campaign? Yes, my family owned Kelly's Pipe and Supply Company in Las Vegas, NV for 35 years. I have several builders supporting me in my candidacy.

What endorsements have you received for your candidacy? I am proud to have been endorsed by the Northern Nevada Laborers, the North Las Vegas Police Officers Association, AFSCME Local 4041, the Nevada Conservation League, SEIU Local 1107, the District Council of Iron Workers, the Southwest Regional Council of Carpenters, the Professional Fire Fighters of Nevada, and the Southern Nevada Conference of Police and Sheriffs.

- What are your thoughts concerning mandatory fire sprinklers in all new construction? In Carson City, we require fire sprinklers in buildings depending upon their size and location. I think this issue is best determined by local governments rather than by the state legislature.

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- What are your main concerns or issues you hope to address during your term?

- Jobs, jobs, and jobs. The construction has been drastically hit during this recession/depression in Nevada and I would encourage the state to invest in infrastructure, such as public works projects and roadway construction, to provide jobs for the construction trades.

- I also want to develop programs to encourage existing businesses in Nevada to stay, expand and tell their friends how nice it is to do business in Nevada.

- Education is also an important issue. We need to encourage creativity and innovative programs to improve our K-12 schools and to encourage higher education to develop programs to meet the needs of our residents now.

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- Last session the adoption of AB 148 forced all construction workers to attend a 10 or 30 hour OSHA course, if elected, would you support a repeal of this law?

- I certainly want to know if the existing law has accomplished the intended purpose, which was to keep workers safe and alive. I will listen and learn before I commit to any vote.

- What are your thoughts on how Chapter 40 construction defect law can be improved?

- Currently the law allows all subcontractors to be impacted by some problems by one or two businesses. I certainly would like to examine that aspect. Also the time of exposure should be examined. With the great number of empty or half-completed buildings in our state, we need to be sure that potential buyers have some protection

- if they decide to purchase. But the small subcontractors cannot carry the exposure for the developers who are no longer in business. I look forward to hearing all sides of the topic and trying to determine a course of action offers protection to both the builders and the buyers.

- Do you support new taxes or fees on the development of land? I think this should be a local issue. In this economic time, Carson City has tried to lower the costs of building in our community, and I feel the 17 counties should tackle this issue rather than involving the state.

- Are you in favor of incentivizing or mandating Green Building? I support LEED or green building and some type of tax break or incentive is now available. I don't think this is the time to mandate being green, but information should be available to potential

- builders or investors, highlighting the benefits of energy efficient construction. I would support offering the necessary training for such construction, so our local builders can be involved in such projects.