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Current Occupation/Position: Leave of Absence, liaison to the City of Las Vegas Mayor and City Council

Candidate for: Assembly District 19

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Political Party Affiliation: Democrat

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Do you have any Building experience or Builders participating in your campaign? Yes. Labor local 872, Painters union, Ironworkers union

What endorsements have you received for your candidacy? Labor local 872, Southern Nevada Central labor council, Nevada State AFL/CIO, Ironworkers and SEIU Nevada

1. What are your thoughts concerning mandatory fire sprinklers in all new construction? I agree with it. I believe it is a public safety measure that is important to protect citizens.

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

A Real Plan to Create Jobs...NOW!

Many are wondering how we can create jobs in this troubled economy. I have a real plan to create jobs and stabilize our economy. The federal government has \$30 billion in weatherization funding through the stimulus funds program. Nevada is among the most qualified States to receive these funds. The state must aggressively seek these funds to create training programs.

The stimulus funds will assist in delivering a skilled workforce to the marketplace and will, in turn, prepare us for the future in renewable and alternative energy. Through apprenticeship and training programs we can support our unions and help people looking for work get trained in the new "Green Collar job" industry. Once we create this new workforce, we will be well prepared to capture additional money for LEED development projects and upgraded retrofitting of existing structures.

How do I know this will work? We have already implemented it at the Urban League! In fact, we received \$1 million for local unions to re-train unemployed individuals to install solar powered water heaters. Individuals participating in the program receive a \$1,200 a month stipend while being trained and the union receives funding for conducting the training. My plan is a true win-win for all Nevadans.

Education at the Top

Many having spoken about diversifying our economy. I contend if we dismantle our educational system we will never be able to achieve this lofty goal. Businesses will not relocate to a State that has a poor educational system. More importantly, though, a poor educational system results in a diminished quality of life. I will fight to fully fund education immediately!

I will oppose a State budget that robs our children of their future. We must take a stand, NOW, to ensure the quality of education at our schools is acceptable. We must

train and recruit highly qualified teachers so our children will perform to their greatest potential.

Diversifying and Stabilizing Our Economy

These two must be attacked together. Nevada can no longer sustain itself through gaming and mining. We must attract new businesses and industries so we can broaden our tax base. Only then can we begin to fill the gap that exists in our State budget. This can only be achieved by creating unique ways to attract businesses and creating a social structure that will entice them.

For instance, we can declare Nevada a free trade zone by lobbying the federal government. This will allow us to be an international trading hub and allow businesses from foreign countries to purchase products without paying a tariff. This will serve to increase our state's bottom line, diversify our economy and create new, sustainable jobs virtually overnight.

3. 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 support the law. Any training that would increase the safety of union workers is worth supporting.
4. What are your thoughts on how Chapter 40 construction defect law can be improved? I believe we must amend the law to be of more benefit to home owners and less to lawyers. We should look at amending the law so that there is no mandatory fee for trial lawyers. The judgment for punitive damages and legal fees should be determined by a judge.
5. Do you support new taxes or fees on the development of land? No, I do not.
6. Are you in favor of incentivizing or mandating Green Building? Yes I am. This is an intricate part of my platform.

