Candidate for MAYOR

I, **JESSE ARREGUIN**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Jesse Arreguín
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Mayor
- 3. That my residence is 1528 Henry Street, Berkeley, CA 94709
- 4. The place of my birth is Fresno, CA
- 5. My present occupation is Mayor, City of Berkeley
- 6. I have held the following public offices: Mayor, City of Berkeley; President, Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG); Chair, ABAG Housing Methodology Committee; Joint ABAG-MTC Governance Committee; Bay Area Regional Collaborative; Alternate Commissioner, San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission: Commissioner. Alameda County Transportation Commission; East Bay Community Energy Board of Directors, Alameda County Waste Management Authority; East Bay Regional Sports Fields JPA; 2x2 Committee of the City Council and Board of Education; 4x4 Committee on Housing, City Council/Rent Stabilization Board; 3x3 Committee of the Berkeley City Council and Berkeley Housing Authority; Councilmember, City of Berkeley, District 4; Commissioner, Rent Stabilization Board: Zoning Adjustments Board: Planning Commission: Housing Advisory Commission; Downtown Area Plan Advisory Committee.
- 7. Record of community service: Bernie Sanders Delegate to the DNC; Berkeley Tenants Union, Berkeley Progressive Alliance, Sierra Club Northern Alameda County Group.
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. In 2016 you entrusted me to be Mayor of this exceptional city. It's an honor to lead a community that always stands for democracy, equity, and justice. Nobody could have imagined the challenges we've faced. We stood united against hate groups, fought COVID-19, and resisted a divisive president. Change requires more than good ideas. The funding I've secured for affordable housing and homeless services is making a difference. Hundreds of affordable units are under construction, and we're rehousing the homeless. Our successful efforts to reduce carbon emissions are being replicated in cities across California. We've increased pedestrian and bike safety, strengthened wildfire and disaster preparedness, and we're improving parks and facilities in every neighborhood. To help renters, businesses, and artists hurt by COVID-19, I galvanized the Council to pass a moratorium on evictions and launched the Berkeley Relief Fund, raising millions for emergency support. In the wake of George Floyd's murder, I introduced reforms to bring us

closer to achieving our dream of equality and justice for all, while making every Berkeleyan safer. I'm eager to continue my service to our community and our highest ideals. I ask for your vote. Endorsed by: Governor Gavin Newsom, State Superintendent Tony Thurmond, Supervisor Keith Carson, the entire School Board, Sierra Club, California Nurses Association, Berkeley Firefighters Association. www.jesse.vote

10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Sophie Hahn, Vice Mayor & District 5 Councilmember

Ben Bartlett, City Councilmember, District 3

Kate Harrison, Berkeley City Councilmember

Susan Wengraf, Councilmember, District 6

Rigel Robinson, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 7

Lori Droste, Councilmember

Tom Bates, Former Berkeley Mayor

Linda Maio, Former Vice-Mayor, District 1 Councilmember

Judy Appel, Berkeley School Board, President

Ty Alper, Berkeley School Board, Vice-President

Ka'Dijah A. Brown, Berkeley School Board Director

John T. Selawsky, President, Board of Library Trustees; Rent Board Commissioner;

Zoning Adjustments Board member

James Chang, Rent Board Commissioner

Andy Katz, East Bay Municipal Utility District Director

Mansour Id-Deen, Berkeley NAACP President

Elizabeth Grubb, President of Cal Berkeley Democrats

Malcolm Margolin, Publisher Emeritus, Heyday Books

Jennifer Shanoski, Chair, Commission on the Status of Women and President, Peralta Federation of Teachers

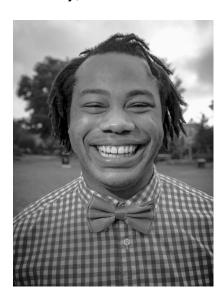
Mark Humbert, President Claremont Elmwood Neighborhood Association, Public

Works Commissioner

Susie Medak, Managing Director, Berkeley Repertory Theatre

Candidate for MAYOR

I, **AIDAN HILL**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Aidan Hill
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Mayor
- 3. That my residence is (Contact City Clerk Department)
- 4. The place of my birth is Fountain Valley, CA
- 5. My present occupation is Vice-Chair Homeless Commission
- 6. I have held the following public offices: Vice-Chair Homeless Commission
- 7. Record of community service: People's Park Committee; Food Not Bombs Volunteer; Planned Parenthood SouthWest Volunteer; Bay Area Landless People's Alliance member; California Public Interest Group Student Coordinator;
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. With a decade of relevant experience, I know how to develop legislation and leadership reflecting the values and creativity that defines the spirit of Berkeley. As your Mayor, it is my responsibility to acknowledge and steward Ohlone Land and be accessible to Berkeleyans through mediums such as NextDoor, emails and physically distant gatherings. I am a political science student of UC Berkeley, a dedicated community activist, and a commissioner within our city government, demonstrating the courage to elevate human rights, and efficient budgeting that provide for the basic needs for our community. My 2020 vision for Berkeley is guided by strong ethics towards advancing budgets that are transparent and efficient reflecting the immediate needs of Berkeleyans. As your Mayor, I am committed to provide all of my love, education, and attention to uphold the safety and security of Berkeley residents including green open spaces and temporary refugee areas. Please feel free to share your needs with my campaign team directly at (510) 804-5668 or email us at hello@hill.vote. You may visit our website at http://hill.vote. Mail-in voting begins in early October and ends on Nov. 3rd 2020. I look forward to becoming your next Mayor and together we will design a Berkeley for #AllofUs.
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Paul Prosseda, People's Park Activist
Lisa Teague, People's Park Committee
Maxina Ventura, People's Park Committee & East Bay Pesticide Alert
Siobhan Lettow, People's Park Activist
Yesica Prado, Community Organizer - Berkeley Friends on Wheels
Mary Behm-Steinberg, Disability Rights & Community Welfare Activist
Andrea Prichett, Berkeley Teacher
Ingrid Pollyak, BUSD employee
Blake Bogert, Student (BCC)
Rafael Lara, Service Worker

Ivar Diehl, Business Owner, Activist Zafar Mahmood, Independent Contractor Andrea Mallis, Astrologer Alexandria Rodriguez Paul K. Blake Negeene Mosaed, Human Russell George Bates, Human James Mattson, Mr.

Candidate for MAYOR

I, **WAYNE HSIUNG**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Wayne Hsiung
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Mayor
- 3. That my residence is 1466 Eighth St, Berkeley, CA 94710
- 4. The place of my birth is Indianapolis, IN
- 5. My present occupation is Environmental Lawyer and Nonprofit Director
- 6. I have held the following public offices: None
- 7. Record of community service: Board member, Climate Defense Project; community organizer and factory farm investigator, Berkeley Animal Rights Center; volunteer attorney in domestic violence, consumer fraud, and environmental cases.
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. Twenty years ago, as a student organizer under Michelle Obama's leadership in the public housing projects of Chicago, I learned that real change comes from ordinary people working together. Now is the time for us to heed that lesson. We face rising housing costs, skyrocketing homelessness, a pandemic-ravaged economy, and a looming climate crisis. Only a grassroots movement can overcome these challenges and bring a Green New Deal to Berkeley. I'm ready to fight for that vision. As an animal rights activist, I've risked my freedom to challenge climate-destroying factory farms, as covered by Ezra Klein and Amy Goodman. I'm ready to harness the innovation of Berkeley. My time as a National Science Foundation Graduate Fellow at MIT and as faculty at Northwestern School of Law has given me the relationships and expertise I need to implement the right policies. And I'm ready to use a different style of politics -- authentic, brave, and fueled entirely by small donations (not corporate PACs) -- to inspire our residents to be part of the change. I am not a traditional politician. I'm a grassroots organizer who has led thousands in finding their voice. Berkeley needs leadership that recognizes the power in each of us. Together, we will bring the Green New Deal to life.
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Alice Meta M. Cherry, Co-Founder and Staff Attorney, Climate Defense Project Willie Phillips, Former President, West Berkeley Neighborhood Development Corporation; Member, Friends of Adeline

Robert Daroff MD, Clinical Professor, University of California, San Francisco (in personal capacity, for identification purposes only), United States Veteran Mari Mendonca, Housing Advisory Commissioner, Berkeley Rent Stabilization Board Commissioner

Vanessa Warheit, Executive Director, Fossil Free CA (Not on behalf of this organization)

Raymond Barglow, Peace Committee Chair, Wellstone Democratic Renewal Club

Alejandro Soto-Vigil, Rent Stabilization Board Commissioner, Former Legislative Aide to the Berkeley City Council, Former Vice-Chair Housing Advisory Commission Priya Sawhney, Co-founder Berkeley Animal Rights Center

Barry David Horowitz, Former Faculty Member, UC Berkeley, and Author of "The American Dream Conspiracy"

Andrew Sharo, NSF Graduate Fellow, Computational Biology, UC Berkeley

Jack Sawyer, President, Parker Street Foundation

Kelsey Skaggs, Executive Director, Climate Defense Project

Bob Meola, Commissioner, Berkeley Peace and Justice Commission

Crystal Heath, Veterinarian and Founder, Vet Harmony

Sanjeev Deshpande, Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, Senior Application Developer

Delnaz Abadi, Director, The Secret Fatwa

Samer Masteron, Senior Software Engineer

Jonathan D. Frohnmayer, Attorney and Community Organizer

Derrick Chao, Founder, Filljoy

Candidate for MAYOR

I, **NAOMI D. PETE**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Naomi D. Pete
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Mayor
- 3. That my residence is (Contact City Clerk Department)
- 4. The place of my birth is Pittsburg Texas
- 5. My present occupation is Retired Assist Administrator
- 6. I have held the following public offices: None
- 7. Record of community service: Western Union 10 years 1961-1971, Assist Administrator The Pete Residential, Board and Care Home 1972-2000, Present Senior Companion Volunteer.
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. Berkeley resident since 1952. Attended Berkeley Public schools, graduate of Berkeley High 1958. College San Jose City and San Jose University 1958-1961. Majoring in Business Management. Candidate for Berkeley Mayor 1982,1986, and 2016. Berkeley is going in reverse. Needs to go forward, a new Direction. Mental Illness, Home illness, Homelessness issues, People living on sidewalks, City Park lawns and property around City Hall. College Campus have set agenda for City instead of the 122,667 Residents. Crime is rising, Expensive to live here. a Mayor should reach out to all 122,557 residents. Working together to make Berkeley a good place to live and visit Communicate with Civil Service Departments to bring Harmony and peace to solve differences. A Mayor should make a City better not bitter. Respect Seniors, Caring for Disabled, communicate with young generation encourage schools to be the best, Worship at Churches, Patronize businesses. Make Berkeley clean and safe. Berkeley deserves better. I'm that new direction. Find my name on Ballot and Vote.
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

None

I, **TIMOTHY W. CARTER**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Timothy W. Carter
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is City Council, District 2
- 3. That my residence is (Contact City Clerk Department)
- 4. The place of my birth is St louis Mo.
- 5. My present occupation is Business owner
- 6. I have held the following public offices: None
- 7. Record of community service: Currently I'm the Chair of the BUSD Personnel Commission I was appointed in 2012. I have served on the LCAP and other BUSD committees.
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. I have been a Berkeley parent, small-business owner, and homeowner for over 20 years. I have played an active role in my children's education, serving first as ·a role model for them, then as a member of Berkeley Unified's Personnel Commission, where I have served for 12 years and am currently Chair, and as a long-term member of Parents of Children of African Descent at Berkeley High School. Throughout my engagement with Berkeley's schools, I've been committed to ensuring that everyone has a voice, not just administrators at the top. I have successfully launched and managed a small business in Berkeley for over 20 years, where serving my customers and managing my employees has required Leadership, Collaboration, and Fiscal Responsibility. And my decades as a Berkeley resident has given me a firsthand perspective on our city's struggles and triumphs. Through my parenting, my business, and my relationships with past and current neighbors, I've gained insight into how we can learn from our missteps and build on our successes.
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Gazel Valdez, Teacher BUSD
Aaron Lechuga, Educator Berkeley Unified School District
Arasani Lechuga, Student
Jonetta Walker, Neighbor
Charleen Mininfield, Research Assistant
April Schirmer, Neighbor
Rayna Carter, Student

I, **CHERYL DAVILA**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Cheryl Davila
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Councilmember District 2
- 3. That my residence is (Contact City Clerk Department)
- 4. The place of my birth is Albany, NY
- 5. My present occupation is City Councilmember
- 6. I have held the following public offices: 3x3 Committee: Housing Authority/City Council 2017-present; 4x4 Joint Task Force Committee on Housing: Rent Board/City Council 2017-present; Oakland Noise Forum 2017-present; Mental Health Commission 2016-present; Human Welfare and Community Action Commission 2008-2016
- 7. Record of community service: Founder/Chair: RV/Tiny Home Solutions to Homelessness Task Force & Climate Emergency Mobilization Task Force; Human Welfare & Community Action Commission; PTA, Treasurer, Volunteer in BUSD
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. I am running for re-election to continue the work of advancing bold climate solutions, promoting affordable housing and care for our unhoused communities, while demilitarizing and re-imagining policing. I remain committed to serve as a principled and accountable representative for District 2 and the people of Berkeley. I will always serve with honesty and integrity and remain an outspoken advocate for human rights and justice. I have been living and renting in Berkeley for 39 years. My husband and I raised two children who graduated from BUSD. I served on city commissions for 7 years before taking office and remain committed to you as a community member. Guided by an efficient and fiscally responsible city budget that reflects progressive values, I will implement a just and equitable Covid-19 economic recovery in District 2. As Chair of the regional Climate Emergency Mobilization Task Force and the RV/Tiny Home Solutions to Homelessness Task Force. I will continue to lead a coalition of municipalities to fight for an affordable. regenerative and resilient future. Let us stand together to achieve equity, security, and justice by finding innovative ways to protect our lives and our environment. I am endorsed by SEIU 1021. See full List of endorsements at website. Unity through CommUNITY! www.cheryldavila.vote
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Alejandro Soto-Vigil, Rent Stabilization Board Commissioner Barbara Erickson, retired journalist Ben Bartlett, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 3 boona cheema, Rev. Carole Kennerly, Former Vice Mayor and Berkeley City Councilmember Cindy B. Shamban
James McFadden, Dr.
Delores Nochi Cooper, Non Profit Manager
James Reagan, Homeless Advocat
John H. Erickson, retired attorney
Kate Harrison, Berkeley City Councilmember
Kelly Hammargren, RN, PHN
Kinchasa Taylor, CEO/Founder - Cannavation Analytics
Mari Mendonca, City of Berkeley Rent Stabilization Board
Maxwell G. Anderson Jr., Former District 3 Councilmember
Paola LaVerde, Rent Stabilization Board, Chair
Thomas Lord, community volunteer
Thomas F. Luce, Mr.
Vivek Hutheesing, Transportation Commissioner
Willie Phillips, Member of FOA

I, **ALEX SHARENKO**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Alex Sharenko
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Berkeley City Council District 2
- 3. That my residence is 1011 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, CA
- 4. The place of my birth is Atlanta, GA
- 5. My present occupation is Solar Energy Scientist
- 6. I have held the following public offices: Commissioner, Berkeley Housing Advisory Commission. Commissioner, Berkeley Commission on Labor. Commissioner, Berkeley Zero Waste Commission. Commissioner, Berkeley Planning Commission. Commissioner, Berkeley Zoning Adjustments Board.
- 7. Record of community service: Volunteer, Berkeley Youth Alternatives. Volunteer, Friends of Strawberry Creek Park. Volunteer, 10th Street Community Emergency Response Team (CERT). Volunteer, Berkeley Food Network.
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. As a City Commissioner and volunteer I have championed social, environmental and racial justice while working to serve our community. As your Councilmember I will promote regional, compassionate solutions to our housing and homelessness crisis. I'll work so that everyone has access to safe, clean parks. I'll fight to build public safety institutions that keep everyone safe, reflect our values and affirm that Black Lives Matter. I'll continue to champion social, environmental and racial justice as I have as a City Commissioner and volunteer. And I'll advocate for and serve the people of District 2 as we collectively recover from the economic and health effects of COVID-19. I will lead with curiosity, empathy, respect and the desire to bring people together to solve problems, reaching out and listening to people with different personal stories and life experiences so that everyone in our diverse district is heard. As your Councilperson I will strive to govern with both head and heart, seeking the wisdom of experts and using evidence-based policies in order to champion the values that I think make Berkeley great: diversity, equity and love, while pragmatically working to solve our problems. The people of District 2 deserve no less.
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Lori Droste, Berkeley City Councilmember Rashi Kesarwani, Berkeley City Councilmember Susan Wengraf, Berkeley City Councilmember Ben Gould, Chair, Community Environmental Advisory Commission George Perezvelez, Berkeley Police Review Commissioner and BART Citizen Review Board Member

This candidate is participating in the Berkeley Fair Election Program, which provides public matching funds to candidates that abide by specific fundraising restrictions.

I, **TERRY TAPLIN**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Terry Taplin
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Berkeley City Council, District 2
- 3. That my residence is (Contact City Clerk Department)
- 4. The place of my birth is Berkeley, CA
- 5. My present occupation is Vice Chair of the City of Berkeley's Transportation Commission
- 6. I have held the following public offices: City of Berkeley Transportation Commission, Vice Chair; City of Berkeley Civic Arts Commissioner; City of Berkeley Children, Youth and Recreation Commissioner; City of Berkeley Peace and Justice Commissioner.
- 7. Record of community service: Assembly District 15 Associate of the Alameda County Democratic Central Committee; Coach, Berkeley Poetry Slam; Coach, UC Berkeley CalSlam; Steering Committee Member, Berkeley Cultural Trust; Boardmember, Berkeley Community Media; Volunteer, Walk Bike Berkeley; Volunteer, Sierra Club.
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. As a Gay Black man and Southwest Berkeley native, I have a lifelong commitment to environmental, racial, economic, and gender justice. I also know the urgency of moving past gestures and lip service to progressive values, and the necessity of intergenerational, cross-cultural collaboration in making meaningful societal change. District 2 needs a representative with laser-sharp focus on West Berkeley issues, who can work collaboratively with the City Council and regional allies to tackle housing affordability and the climate crisis while serving the public's health and safety needs. I've dedicated my life to giving back to the community that raised me. As Vice-Chair of the Transportation Commission, I've demonstrated my devotion to public service and the ability to build broad coalitions of diverse stakeholders to advance legislation increasing road safety for all modes of transport, enabling Berkeley to further its climate goals. I'm running for City Council to be a voice and champion for Aquatic Park, Strawberry Creek, West Berkeley's neighborhoods, parks, streets, workers, small businesses, and arts communities. I am proud to have the support of our State Senator, Mayor, City Council supermajority, and the Vice-President of the Berkeley Firefighters Union. I hope to earn your vote. TerryTaplin.com.
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Nancy Skinner, State Senator, District 9 Jesse Arreguín, Mayor, City of Berkeley Sophie Hahn, Vice Mayor & Councilmember, City of Berkeley Lori Droste, City Councilmember

Rigel Robinson, City Councilmember Rashi Kesarwani, City Councilmember Susan Wengraf, City Councilmember Judy Appel, President, Berkeley School Board Ka'Dijah A. Brown, Berkeley School Board Director Karen Hemphill, Former School Board Director and San Pablo Park Resident Josh Daniels, Former School Board Member Ben Gerhardstein, Co-founder, Walk Bike Berkeley Colin Arnold, Edwards St. Neighbor, Berkeley Firefighters L1227 VP George Perezvelez, Founding Member BART Police Citizen Review Board, Senior Member Berkeley Police Review Commission Ana Vasudeo, Senior Transportation Planner, Dwight Neighbor Xavier Morales, Commissioner – Sugar Sweetened Beverage Product Panel of Experts Stephanie Anne Johnson, San Pablo Park resident, artist, art professor Monisha Bajaj, Professor, International & Multicultural Education Lawrence Grown, Co-owner, Metro Lighting and San Pablo Park Resident Jennifer Shanoski, Chair, Commission on the Status of Women; President, Peralta Federation of Teachers; and Berkeley Neighbor

I, **BEN BARTLETT**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Ben Bartlett
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Berkeley City Council, District 3
- 3. That my residence is (Contact City Clerk Department)
- 4. The place of my birth is Berkeley, CA
- 5. My present occupation is Berkeley City Councilmember
- 6. I have held the following public offices: Berkeley City Councilmember, District 3; Chair, Berkeley City Council and Economic Development Land Use, Housing Committee; Chair, Berkeley City Council Public Safety Policy Committee; Chair, Ad-Hoc Subcommittee on Paid Family Leave & Fair Work Week; Berkeley City Council Life Enrichment, Equity and Community Committee; Berkeley Representative to Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) General Assembly; Berkeley Joint Powers Financing Authority; Commissioner, Planning Commission; Vice-Chair, Zero Waste Commission; Member, Loan Administration Board; Commissioner, Transportation Commission: Commissioner, Police Review Commission, Appointed Member, State of California Blockchain Working Group
- 7. Record of community service: South Berkeley Senior Center Volunteer; Writer Coach Connection Literacy Volunteer; San Quentin Arts Education Volunteer; Berkeley Food & Housing Project Fundraising Committee; Earth Rights Institute Boardmember; Friends of Adeline Member; New Libraries Now, Member, Black Elected Officials of the East Bay; Vice President, NAACP Berkeley Chapter; Boardmember, Homes 4 The Homeless
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. It's been an honor to serve as your Councilmember. South Berkeley is a special place: We are pioneers of the human condition. We came together during COVID-19 to help those in need, and we marched to end racial injustice. These moments are unforgettable. Our compassion and determination allow us to create a better future. I have worked tirelessly to help achieve that goal. Four principles guide my work: Housing is a Human Right; Justice for All; Community Investment; and Protecting Our Families. I've approved hundreds of affordable homes, passed the George Floyd Safety Act reallocating police funding to community healthcare workers; won the largest pedestrian and bike safety investment in a generation; divested from Trump's border wall and ICE; passed Paid Family Leave; and championed the COVID-19 Berkeley Relief Fund for tenants and small businesses. With

your continued support I will lead District 3's pandemic response through increased testing/contact tracing, and medical debt relief. We will launch more affordable housing at Ashby BART and the Adeline Corridor; reimagine public safety; and stimulate economic recovery with a Berkeley Green New Deal. Please join the Sierra Club, the Berkeley Fire Fighters Association, and Friends of Adeline in supporting my re-election.

10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Jesse Arreguín, Mayor, City of Berkeley Sophie Hahn, Berkeley Vice Mayor & City Councilmember Cheryl Davila, Berkeley City Council District 2 Kate Harrison, Berkeley City Councilmember Susan Wengraf, Berkeley City Councilmember Rigel Robinson, Berkeley City Councilmember Lori Droste, Berkeley City Councilmember Judy Appel, Berkeley School Board, President Paola Laverde, Berkeley Rent Stabilization Board, Chair Mansour Id-Deen, President, Berkeley NAACP Tom Bates. Former Berkelev Mayor Maxwell G. Anderson Jr, Former Berkeley City Councilmember, District 3 Colin Arnold, Vice President, Berkeley Firefighters Association L1227 Rev. Michael A. Smith, Pastor, McGee Ave Baptist Church Diana Days, Owner at Cafe Buenos Aires Edythe Boone, Artist, Friends of Addeline Michael Parenti, Author Gianna Ranuzzi, Le Conte Neighborhood Association President John T Selawsky, President, BOLT (Board of Library Trustee), Former President, Berkeley School Board, Commissioner, Rent Board Dominique Walker, Co-founder of Moms for Housing

I, **ORLANDO MARTINEZ**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Orlando Martinez
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is City Council, District 3
- 3. That my residence is 2873 Sacramento Street in Berkeley, California
- 4. The place of my birth is Salinas, California
- 5. My present occupation is Manager of a Construction Supplier Company
- 6. I have held the following public offices: Board Member Community Actions Board, San Benito County (March 2008-August 2009)
- 7. Record of community service: None
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. As your Councilmember, I will be committed to hearing the voices of different community members for the enhancement of the City of Berkeley. My family and I moved to Berkeley for the opportunity to afford a home along with establishing our roots within the community. Soon after becoming a resident I came to find beauty in how diverse, welcoming, and accepting Berkeley is. I would like to see improvements in social justice, affordable housing, and development of underprivileged youth. I have experience with construction management which has given me the latitude of knowing how to get things done and collaborate with people. I want to construct a better City of Berkeley. Additionally, I have served as a member of the community actions board for San Benito County which is where I grew up. That experience revealed how much change can happen when the community works together for its people in need. My parents at a young age immigrated to California from Mexico, and I have seen firsthand how obstacles can be overcome with hard work and determination. I would like to become the voice that can offer opportunity and growth to the youth and residents of our community. With your vote, your voice will be heard.
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

None

I, **DEBORAH MATTHEWS**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Deborah Matthews
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Berkeley City Council District 3
- 3. That my residence is (Contact City Clerk Department)
- 4. The place of my birth is Newark, Ohio
- 5. My present occupation is Real Estate Broker & Consultant
- 6. I have held the following public offices: Commissioner, Chair, Housing Advisory Commission, Commissioner, Chair, Zoning Adjustments Board, Commissioner, Vice Chair, Planning Commission
- 7. Record of community service: Board of Directors, Downtown Berkeley YMCA, Board of Directors, Oakland & World Enterprises, Board of Directors, U.C. Berkeley Wesley House.
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. Today I ask for your 1st Choice Vote. I have lived and worked in Berkeley for 40 years. I understand the needs and concerns in our community. I believe in the heart and good will of South Berkeley residents. As the Co-Founder of South Berkeley Now! I advocate for housing for everyone at the Ashby Bart Station. I will work to bring housing first for the homeless, provide low income and middle income housing for service workers, teachers, police officers and fire fighters. I will ensure displaced residents have their deserved, first right to return to our community. I have championed housing policy, small business development, senior housing, local renewable energy, and served Berkeley for 24 years as a Commissioner for Housing, Zoning and Planning. As your City Councilmember, I will deliver long overdue reinvestment in South Berkeley to bring jobs, thriving small businesses, bike and pedestrian safety, and a bustling flea market to serve everyone in our community. I will not shy away from the hard issues of systemic racism and social and economic injustice. Through addressing these issues with equitable policies, we will heal and unite our community. Deborah Matthews Gets It Done for South Berkeley.
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Susan Wengraf, City Councilmember
Markos Moulitsas, Founder Kos Media, LLC
Dorothy Walker, Retired Assistant Vice Chancellor, University of California, Berkeley
Teresa Clarke, Non-profit housing developer
Ariella Garnett, South Berkeley Now! Steering Committee Member, Architect
Debra R. Sanderson, Retired Planning Manager, City of Berkeley
Libby Lee-Egan, Co-founder and organizer, North Berkeley Now!
Remi Omodele, City of Berkeley Commissioner, HWCAC
Linda Schacht, Berkeley Public Library Foundation Council

Arthur Robinson, UC Berkeley Lab Tech
Matt Nichols, Former Principal Transportation Planner for the City of Berkeley and
Infrastructure and Transportation Policy Director for Oakland Mayor's Office
Richard Lucien, CPA (Inactive)
Bobbie Satterfield, Occupation Chief Operations Director | AT&T- retired
Jon Lau, Economic Development Official, San Francisco County
Jim Smith, Community Organizer
Vineeta Chand, Artist, South Berkeley

I, **TODD ANDREW**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Todd Andrew
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Berkeley City Council, District 5
- 3. That my residence is 1547 Hopkins Street, Apt. 6, Berkeley, CA 94707
- 4. The place of my birth is Davenport, IA
- 5. My present occupation is Residential Real Estate Salesperson
- 6. I have held the following public offices: Homeless Commission, Solano Avenue Business Improvement District Advisory Board
- 7. Record of community service: Homeless Commission, Solano Avenue Business Improvement District Advisory Board, Berkeley High School Athletic Fund Board of Directors, Various youth sports, Children's Council of San Francisco
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. Honored to be endorsed by former District 2 Councilmember Darryl Moore, I'm a 21-year resident of Berkeley, a tenant for the last 14, a Realtor for 17, and a father of two. From this unique perspective, I have hope that the power of ideas will overcome the idea of power, and am offering creative, collaborative, evidence-based and results-focused leadership toward solving our problems. I've no desire to hold higher office, and will focus on Berkeley's future, not my political future. My working-class family struggled financially, as I have struggled myself recently, so I understand economic hardship. Valuing diversity in all its forms, I was grateful to raise two children through the Berkeley Unified School District. Loving Berkeley and its storied history as I do, I regret to say our public policy is broken. As a Homeless Commissioner, I can tell you our flagship project is failing. As a bicyclist, I can tell you many of our streets are dangerous. As a student of Berkeley government, I can tell you we have enormous deficits in our infrastructure and pension obligations, affordable housing is hobbled by ideological rigidity, and our policy apparatus is cumbersome. We've much work to do. Let's begin... Together. Andrew4Berkeley.com
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Laurie Capitelli, Berkeley Councilmember, District 5, Retired Stephen Murphy, President, Cristo Rey De La Salle East Bay High School; Berkeley City Council District 5 Candidate 2016

Christiana Tiedemann, Former Chair, Berkeley Zoning Adjustments Board Sachu Constantine, Managing Director – Regulatory, Vote Solar; Berkeley Public Works Commissioner

Libby Lee-Egan, Co-founder and Organizer, North Berkeley Now!

This candidate is participating in the Berkeley Fair Election Program, which provides public matching funds to candidates that abide by specific fundraising restrictions.	

I, **SOPHIE HAHN**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Sophie Hahn
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Berkeley City Council, District 5
- 3. That my residence is (Contact City Clerk Department)
- 4. The place of my birth is Wilmington, Delaware
- 5. My present occupation is Berkeley City Councilmember, District 5
- 6. I have held the following public offices: Councilmember, City of Berkeley District 5; Vice Mayor, City of Berkeley; Trustee, Berkeley Public Library Board of Library Trustees (BOLT); Chair, Berkeley City Council Health, Life Enrichment, Equity and Community Committee; Member, Berkeley City Council Agenda and Rules Committee; Member, City of Berkeley Land Use, Housing and Economic Development Committee; Member, City of Berkeley Budget Committee; Alternate, City of Berkeley Facilities, Infrastructure, Transportation, Environment, and Sustainability Committee; Member, City of Berkeley 2x2 Board/City Council; Committee: School Alternate. Alameda County Waste Management Authority: Alternate. East Bay Community Energy Authority Joint Powers Board: Chair. City of Berkeley Commission on the Status of Women; Member, City of Berkeley Zoning Adjustments Board; Member, Solano Avenue Business Improvement District Board; Emergency Standby Officer, Berkeley City Council District 4: Chair, Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School, School Governance Council
- 7. Record of community service: Chair, Sierra Club Northern Alameda County Group; President, King Middle School PTA; Board Member, The Bancroft Library, Magnes Collection of Jewish Art and Life, Berkeley Public Library Foundation, Planned Parenthood Shasta Diablo; Founder, Berkeley Basket Urban Farm & CSA
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. It's a great privilege to serve as Berkeley Vice Mayor and District 5 Councilmember, representing neighborhoods where I grew up and have raised my own family. Four years ago, you chose me to lead with new energy and vision, and I've worked hard to lift up our community, our planet, and our values. We've broken ground on affordable housing and rehoused over 250 homeless neighbors, rebuilt senior and recreation centers, cleared fire fuels, expanded bike lanes, and strengthened City finances. I'm proud to have authored nationally acclaimed legislation to reduce throwaway plastics, and to have helped bring

clean energy to every Berkeley home. In the face of COVID-19, we're keeping Berkeley safe. We're addressing food and housing insecurity and supporting local schools, arts organizations, and businesses so Berkeley can come back stronger. Answering urgent calls for justice and equality, I'm helping lead efforts to re-envision public safety by prioritizing mental health and community services. I'm endorsed by The Sierra Club, California Nurses Association, Berkeley Firefighters Association, SEIU Local 1021, Mayor Jesse Arreguín, State Superintendent Tony Thurmond, and Alameda County Supervisor Keith Carson. Berkeley is more than just a place for me; it's at the core of who I am and what I stand for. I'd be honored to continue serving this outstanding community. Thank you for your vote. www.SophieHahn.com

10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Jesse Arreguín, Mayor, City of Berkeley

Shirley Dean, Former Berkeley Mayor and District 5 City Councilmember

Alice Waters, Owner of Chez Panisse and Founder of the Edible Schoolyard Project

Susan Wengraf, Berkeley City Councilmember

Ben Bartlett, Berkeley City Councilmember

Kate Harrison, Berkeley City Councilmember

Rigel Robinson, Berkeley City Councilmember

Judy Appel, Berkeley School Board, President

Ty Alper, Berkeley School Board, Vice President

Ka'Dijah Brown, Berkeley School Board Member

Julie Sinai, Berkeley School Board Member

Andy Katz, East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD), Director

John Selawsky, Berkeley Board of Library Trustees, President; Berkeley Rent Board Commissioner

Igor Tregub, Berkeley Rent Board Commissioner; Chair, Sierra Club Northern Alameda County Group

Kate Campbell King, Solano Avenue Business Improvement District, Chair; Berkeley Food Network, Founding Board Chair

Lisa Bullwinkel, Berkeley Civic Arts Commission, Chair

Christopher Adams, Berkeley Landmarks Preservation Commission, Chair

Jim McGrath, Berkeley Parks and Waterfront Commission, Chair; San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board, Chair

Kitty Calavita, Berkeley Police Review Commission, Chair

Shoshana O' Keefe, Berkeley Zoning Adjustments Board, Chair

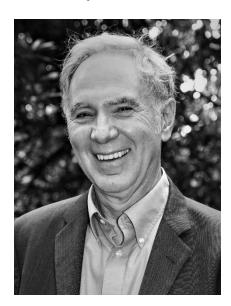
I, **PAUL DARWIN PICKLESIMER**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Paul Darwin Picklesimer
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is City Council District 5
- 3. That my residence is 1891 Catalina Ave, Berkeley CA 94707
- 4. The place of my birth is Weirton, WV
- 5. My present occupation is Community Organizer
- 6. I have held the following public offices: None
- 7. Record of community service: I have co-managed Friends of DxE's Berkeley Animal Rights Center since 2016 and volunteered extensively with Direct Action Everywhere since 2014.
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. I listen to people and I represent them. I operate with the understanding that aside from their own immediate interests, people want not only what's best for their neighborhood, but for the entire world as we struggle together to take on the climate crisis and other systemic injustices. I am open, honest, responsive and excited to collaborate with residents, groups and city officials. Together, we will help Berkeley set groundbreaking examples of what the world can be in terms of environmental sustainability, equity and reparations for Black and Indigenous populations. I value safety, education, cleanliness, opportunity and innovation. I advocate for Rose's Law: Animal Bill of Rights which sets forth the basic rights that everyone deserves, regardless of species, gender, race, ability, age or residency status. I believe none of us are free until all of us are and that our collective liberation hinges on ensuring that no one is being denied the liberties that all of us ought to have. I cherish the opportunity to represent Berkeley and commit to always do my best and be appreciative of input, feedback and criticism.
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

None

I, **RICHARD ILLGEN**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Richard Illgen
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Berkeley City Council, District 6
- 3. That my residence is 2723 Marin Avenue, Berkeley, CA 94708
- 4. The place of my birth is Oakland, CA
- 5. My present occupation is Social Justice Attorney
- 6. I have held the following public offices: Chair, Berkeley Planning Commission; Member, Berkeley Loan Administration Board; Chair, Berkeley Rent Stabilization Board
- 7. Record of community service: Executive Director, nonprofit housing; Board Chair, Just Cities/Dellums Institute; Sierra Club, Alaska Women's Aid in Crisis, Wellstone Democratic Renewal Club, John George Democratic Club, Marine Fireman's Union; UC Student Representative Berkeley Rental Housing Committee; represented Native American clinics/ tribes; aided homeless transition into housing; assisted drafting COVID protections
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. This is the most consequential election of our generation. Challenging times call on us to demand more from the people we elect. I offer dynamic vision/track record to lead Berkeley through the tough period ahead. As Planning Commission Chair, I led efforts to pass measures protecting our waterfront/small businesses. As a 20+ year Supervising Deputy City Attorney, I fought to ensure local government was accountable/effective in providing core services: compliance with fire safety codes; reducing crime/drug dealing; eliminating blight, illegal dumping, graffiti; and expanding housing opportunities for those who need a helping hand. As Councilmember, I stand for: 1) Disaster readiness - power outages, hill runoff, dilapidated phone poles/water mains, and expensive fire insurance must be addressed. 2) Providing hands-on leadership to solving our homeless crisis and supporting the most vulnerable in Berkeley. I'll focus on mental health/addiction programs and invest in social work, prevention, youth mentorship, job training. 3) Fiscal stability we need transparency, accountability/small business support through these tough times. Alameda County Treasurer Henry Levy, Oakland Mayor Libby Schaaf, former Berkeley Mayors Shirley Dean/Gus Newport, and Citizens for East Shore Parks Boardmembers Helen Burke and Norman La Force know voting for me means "Leadership Through RichardforCityCouncil.org Action."
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Ben Bartlett, Berkeley City Councilmember

Kate Harrison, Berkeley City Councilmember

Sheila Jordan, former County Superintendent of Public Schools/Berkeley Homeless Panel Member

Nicky Gonzalez Yuen, Trustee, Peralta Community College Board

John Selawsky, Berkeley Library Trustee/former Berkeley School Board Member Joan Finton, Berkeley Artist/Teacher

Igor Tregub, Environmental Leader/Berkeley Zoning Adjustments Board member

Rebecca Gebhart, Berkeley Children Youth and Recreation Commission, Former Chair

Margot Dashiell, Alameda County Women's Hall of Fame Honoree

Larry Gallegos, Economic Development Manager/Alamo Avenue resident

Kiran Jain, Berkeley Parent/Santa Barbara Road resident

John Brauer, Labor Leader

boona cheema, Berkeley Mental Health Commissioner

Mary Kay Lacey, Berkeley Planning Commissioner

Steven Finacom, Commission Member, Berkeley Landmarks / Design Review

LaVerda Allen, Small Business Owner/Euclid Avenue Resident

Malcolm Burnstein, Attorney/Creston Road resident

Wendy Bloom, RN/California Nurses Association Leader

Daniella Thompson, Historic Preservation Leader/Le Conte Ave. resident

Kitty Calavita, Chair, Berkeley Police Review Commission

I, **SUSAN WENGRAF**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Susan Wengraf
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Berkeley City Council District 6
- 3. That my residence is (Contact City Clerk Department)
- 4. The place of my birth is Brooklyn, N.Y.
- 5. My present occupation is Berkeley City Council member
- 6. I have held the following public offices: Member, Berkeley City Council; Vice Mayor, Berkeley City Council; Chair, Public Safety Policy Committee; Delegate, ABAG; Delegate, League of California Cities; Chair, Berkeley Planning Commission; Landmarks Commission; Chair, Density Bonus Sub-Committee; Chair, University Ave. Strategic Plan; Member, Oakland Airport Community Noise Forum; Board member, Alameda County Waste Management Authority; Board Member, Alameda County Health Homes JPA.
- 7. Record of community service: President, Berkeley Democratic Club; Board Member, Berkeley Architectural Heritage Association; Friends of the Rose Garden; Berkeley Path Wanderers; Save the Bay; Claremont Conservancy; Sierra Club.
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. COVID-19 has changed our world. I bring balance, expertise, empathy, institutional memory, and a thoughtful approach to the council when our recovery from the devastation of the pandemic demands leadership and experience. Public health, safety, wildfire prevention, environmental leadership, fiscal responsibility, re-imagining equitable policing, affordable housing, and the delivery of efficient core services are my priorities. I have a substantial record of accomplishments, working collaboratively, solving problems, and building consensus, but there is always more to do. I gained unanimous support to make wildfire safety a top priority, for a ballot measure to fund wildfire prevention, emergency medical response and evacuation planning, and secured more than \$1 million for fire fuel reduction. I continue to champion undergrounding of utility wires and keeping Alta Bates hospital in Berkeley. My leadership to establish a Reserve Fund and focus on fiscal responsibility ensured a balanced budget, despite a \$40 million deficit. Please join the entire BUSD Board and former leaders State Senator Loni Hancock, Councilmembers Gordon Wozniak, Linda Maio, Laurie Capitelli, Auditor Ann-Marie Hogan, and Mayor Tom Bates in supporting my re-election. I pledge to advocate for your concerns, be honest, transparent and accessible. I ask for your vote. More information at: susanwengraf.com
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Nancy Skinner, State Senator

Jesse Arreguín, Mayor, City of Berkeley

Sophie Hahn, Vice Mayor, Berkeley City Council

Rashi Kesarwani, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 1

Ben Bartlett, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 3

Lori Droste, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 8

Joaquin J. Rivera, Trustee, Alameda County Board of Education

Elizabeth Echols, Board Member, East Bay Regional Park District

David Hochschild, Chair, California Energy Commission

Susan Medak, Managing Director, Berkeley Repertory Theater

Joy Carlin, Theatre Director and Actress

Michael Lewis, Writer, "Liar's Poker," "Moneyball," "The Big Short"

Tim Hassler, Friends of Berkeley Tuolomne Camp, President Emeritus

Ray Yep, Chair, Vision 2050

Cecilia "Ces" Rosales, Policy Issues Chair, California Democratic Party; member

Alameda County Democratic Central Committee AD15

George Perezvelez, Berkeley Police Review Commission, BART Citizen Police Review

Board

Jim McGrath, Chair, Parks and Waterfront Commission, Chair S.F. Regional Water

Board

Harry Pollack, General Counsel, Save the Redwoods League

Natasha Beery, Director, BSEP and Community Relations, Berkeley Unified School

District

Linda Schacht, Berkeley Public Library Foundation Council

Candidate for RENT STABILIZATION BOARD COMMISSIONER

I, **BAHMAN AHMADI**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Bahman Ahmadi
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Rent Stabilization Board Commissioner
- 3. That my residence is 1721 Marin Avenue, Berkeley, CA 94707
- 4. The place of my birth is Damavand, Iran
- 5. My present occupation is Retired engineer
- 6. I have held the following public offices: None
- 7. Record of community service: Big brother program (UC Berkeley); Treasurer of Engineers and Scientist Union (AFLCIO Affiliate)
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. Despite over forty years of rent control, Berkeley's Rent Stabilization Board operates on a belief that there is still an imbalance favoring the landlords, leading to increasingly restrictive measures to tighten the Ordinance. Stanford University's research demonstrates that these measures are detrimental to the very tenants they seek to protect. As a firstgeneration immigrant and Berkeley resident of 50 years, I aspire to preserve this rich and colorful community for generations to come. The recent explosion of luxury units in downtown Berkeley, exempt from Rent Control, is quickly squeezing out the "mom and pop" landlords eliminating the diversity from our charming neighborhoods. Property owners have resorted to taking their units off the market, and consequently, it is increasingly difficult for seniors and low-income students to live in Berkeley. Berkeley has a choice: to maintain its historic character or allow corporate investors to transform the cultural and economic landscape. We need a more balanced approach protecting the rights of tenants while offering a fair return on investment to property owners. As a retired engineer with over 45 years of experience in problem-solving, decision making, and consensus-building, I look forward to working collaboratively with all stakeholders to preserve Berkeley's affordability and diversity.
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Gordon Wozniak, Berkeley City Councilmember 2002-2012, member Parks and Waterfront Commission
Laurie Capitelli, Former Berkeley City Councilmember
Leo Gaspardone, PhD.
Michael M. Sims, Former Rent Board Commissioner
Behrouz Mazandarani, Housing Provider

Candidate for RENT STABILIZATION BOARD COMMISSIONER

I, **XAVIER JOHNSON**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Xavier Johnson
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Rent Stabilization Board Commissioner
- 3. That my residence is (Contact City Clerk Department)
- 4. The place of my birth is Detroit, Michigan
- 5. My present occupation is Tenants' Rights Advocate
- 6. I have held the following public offices: None
- 7. Record of community service: Executive Committee Member, Sierra Club Northern Alameda County Group; Chair, Housing Advisory Commission; Former Congressional Aide, Congresswoman Barbara Lee; Union Representative, Local 20 IFPTE
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. Housing is a human right. I am proud to have been nominated by the 2020 Berkeley Tenants Convention, a diverse coalition of over 1,000 tenants, landlords, and homeowners. I am committed to protecting rent control and tenants' rights. I am running to make sure tenant protections are enforced and expanded, and to build support for a regional housing fund with enough resources to bring an end to the housing crisis. Diverse community leaders and groups, such as the Berkeley Tenants Union, Berkeley Citizens Action, Friends of Adeline, and SEIU 1021 have endorsed my candidacy. I have dedicated my career to ensuring everyone has access to safe and affordable housing using the education I received from Berkeley Law. As a Tenants' Rights Advocate at Centro Legal de la Raza, my interventions have protected tenants from hundreds of thousands of dollars of unlawful rent increases. As an African American in Berkeley, I have seen displacement and gentrification devastate our community. We need to fund housing as a human right, and we need protections that treat housing as a human right and not a money machine. I have the skills and experience to make that happen. Visit XavierJohnson.vote for more information.
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Jesse Arreguín, Mayor, City of Berkeley
Ben Bartlett, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 3
Kate Harrison, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 4
Sophie Hahn, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 5
Rigel Robinson, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 7
Lori Droste, City Councilmember
Maxwell G. Anderson Jr., Former District 3 City Councilmember
Paola Laverde, Rent Stabilization Board, Chair
Leah Simon-Weisberg, Vice Chair, Rent Stabilization Board; Vice Chair, Housing
Advisory Commission

James Chang, Commissioner, Rent Stabilization Board Igor Tregub, Commissioner, Berkeley Rent Board; Immediate Past Chair, Zoning Adjustments Board; Immediate Past Chair, Housing Advisory Commission Wendy Bloom, Commissioner on the Berkeley Commission on Labor, Registered Nurse

Andy Katz, East Bay Municipal Utility District Director
Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Berkeley School Board Director
Alfred Twu, Chair, Zero Waste Commission, Architect
Ben Gould, Chair, Community Environmental Advisory Commission
George Lippman, Vice-Chair, Berkeley Peace and Justice Commission
John Selawsky, President, Board of Library Trustees, Commissioner, Rent Stabilization
Board

Patricia E. Wall, Executive Director, Homeless Action Center Jack Kurzweil, Administrative Coordinator - Wellstone Democratic Renewal Club

Candidate for RENT STABILIZATION BOARD COMMISSIONER

I, **ANDY KELLEY**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Andy Kelley
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Rent Stabilization Board Commissioner
- 3. That my residence is (Contact City Clerk Department)
- 4. The place of my birth is San Luis Obispo, CA
- 5. My present occupation is Environmental and Climate Change Advocate
- 6. I have held the following public offices: Chair Berkeley Public Works Commission, Alameda County Planning Commissioner
- 7. Record of community service: Chair Northern Alameda County Sierra Club, Board Member East Bay Stonewall (LGBT) Democratic Club, Vice Chair Alameda County Democratic Party, Affordable Housing Proponent, Wellstone Democratic Renewal Club
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. Housing is a human right. I am proud to have been nominated by the 2020 Berkeley Tenants Convention, a diverse coalition of over 1,000 tenants, landlords, and homeowners. I am committed to protecting rent control and tenant's rights. I currently serve on the Alameda County Planning Commission where I fight to bring affordable housing to our communities. As Chair of the Berkeley Public Works Commission, I led efforts to improve fire safety, repair infrastructure, and update our Senior and Community Centers. In 2018, I served as Co-chair of the Measure O&P campaigns to create affordable housing and expand homelessness prevention services. A 15 year resident of Berkeley, I am committed to: 1. Improve outreach by partnering with city organizations to ensure tenants and landlords are informed of their rights. 2. Increase accessibility to services by making more forms and materials easily available online, translated into additional languages. 3. Support affordable housing by promoting new affordable units and protecting relief programs for struggling homeowners trying to maintain habitability for tenants. I'm proud to be supported by a diverse coalition including: Berkeley Citizens Action and Berkeley Tenants Union. I'd be honored to represent you. www.andykelley.org
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Jesse Arreguín, Mayor, City of Berkeley
Linda Maio, Vice Mayor (former)
Maxwell G. Anderson Jr., Former District 3 City Councilmember
Rigel Robinson, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 7
Kate Harrison, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 4
Lori Droste, City Councilmember
Sophie Hahn, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 5
Ben Bartlett, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 3

Susan Wengraf, City Councilmember
Judy Appel, Berkeley School Board, President
Ty Alper, Berkeley School Board, Vice-President
Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Berkeley School Board Director
Julie Sinai, Berkeley School Board Director
Ka'Dijah A. Brown, Berkeley School Board Director
Paola Laverde, Rent Stabilization Board, Chair

Leah Simon-Weisberg, Vice Chair, Rent Stabilization Board; Vice Chair, Housing Advisory Commission

Xavier Johnson, Chair - Housing Advisory Commission

Melissa Male, Chair, Board of Directors, Center for Independent Living (TheCIL) Wendy Bloom, Commissioner on Berkeley Commission on labor, Registered Nurse Karen Weinstein, Trustee - Peralta Community College District

Candidate for RENT STABILIZATION BOARD COMMISSIONER

I, **CAROLE MARASOVIC**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Carole Marasovic
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Rent Stabilization Board Commissioner
- 3. That my residence is 1425 Oregon Street #J-1 Berkeley, CA 94702
- 4. The place of my birth is Chicago, Illinois
- 5. My present occupation is Chair, Homeless Commission/Attorney
- 6. I have held the following public offices: City of Berkeley Homeless Commission, generally as Chair or Vice-Chair/City of Berkeley Mental Health Commission (former Chair and Vice-Chair)/City of Berkeley Commission on Labor/City of Berkeley Mental Health Services Act Advisory Committee
- 7. Record of community service: Host, Loaves and Fishes monthly dinner/Steering Committee, Alameda County Attorneys for Children Toy Drive/Associate Director, Healthy Air Coalition/Training Director, Regional Coordinator, CALBHB.
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. As an 18 year tenant in Berkeley and a former homeowner elsewhere, I know how important it is to have a stable home. With the pandemic, we are living in uncertain times when we do not know what the future will bring. We must protect the most vulnerable in our community from displacement; mitigate the current impacts of displacement and gentrification; protect the aging tenant population and those persons with disabilities; and explore all possible housing models to identify how we can best achieve a diverse, inclusive community with genuinely affordable housing. Rent control laws must be preserved to encourage diversity. Discrimination laws must be enforced. Concurrently, we must move away from polarization. I commit to hearing from all tenants regarding their issues while also hearing the concerns of small landlords so that the interests between the two can be reconciled. My legal and policy background; commitment to the Berkeley community and social justice/equity issues; balanced perspective; willingness to listen to others with differing viewpoints; eleven years leadership on City policy commissions, researching, writing and presenting on multiple local issues before Council, including affordable housing housing equity and housing planning issues, makes me a wellinformed, thoughtful Rent Board Commissioner.
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Susan Wengraf, Berkeley City Council Jacquelyn McCormick, Former President – Claremont Elmwood Neighborhood Assn. Elliot Halpern, Board, ACLU/North East Bay Chapter/Homeowner Maurice Martin, Northern California Coordinator Deported Veteran's Advocacy Project/Trainer, Veterans For Peace Non-Violent Action (Portland Protests, 2020) Simeon E. Whitney, Associate Minister, South Berkeley, Volunteer (SFNM) San Francisco Night Ministry: Careline

Deborah Tatto, Coordinator, Loaves & Fishes Community Dinners, Holy Spirit Parish Marian Wolfe, Housing Advisory Commission (Former Chair and Vice-Chair) RCD Board Member, & Affordable Housing Consultant

Shirley A. Posey, Consumer/Family Member – Mental Health Advocate/Berkeley Mental Health Community Board/Housing & On-Going Planning Committee Member Alameda Cty BHCS

boona cheema, Former Executive Director, BOSS/Former Chair Mental Health Commission/Homeowner

Marcia E. Poole, Housing Compliance Advocate/Homeless Activist/CoFounder & Coordinator of Women Against Sexual Slavery, USA with feminist author Diana Russell Antoinette Stein, Environmental Engineer/Research Scientist/Homeowner/Disaster & Fire Safety Commissioner/Zero Waste Commissioner/Community Health Commissioner(retired)

Stephanie K. Thomas, Co-founder WiRED (Wireless Radiation Education and Defense)/Coalition to Defend the East Bay Forest, member/CA Peace Alliance member/Homeowner

Paul Kealoha-Blake, President, East Bay Media Center

Diana Bohn, Member, Peace & Justice Commission/homeowner

Louis Cuneo, Founder/Coordination Berkeley Poetry Festival/Published Author Carol Denney, Cartoonist, Musician

Heather Ovenden, Boardmember, Computer Technologies Program (Former)/CERT disaster preparedness/Amateur radio operator

Ankit Hirpara, City Commissioner

Candidate for RENT STABILIZATION BOARD COMMISSIONER

I, **DAN MCDUNN**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Dan McDunn
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Rent Stabilization Board Commissioner
- 3. That my residence is (Contact City Clerk Department)
- 4. The place of my birth is Tucson, AZ
- 5. My present occupation is General Contractor/Builder
- 6. I have held the following public offices: None
- 7. Record of community service: ADU Task Force Member; Youth Sports Coach; Assistant Scoutmaster Troop 6; Big Brothers and Sisters; Chairman No Sellwood Wal-Mart Portland, OR
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. I build Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) in Berkeley and the inner east bay. Many of my clients struggle to stay in the Bay Area because of rising costs, and their ADU becomes part of their ability to stay in a city like Berkeley. They may use it for additional rental income, or a place to house extended family. They may use it to house a professional caregiver, or a person caring for their children. While the uses may vary, one thing is consistent -- none of the owners of these new ADUs want the Berkeley Rent Board overseeing and regulating their use. They are appalled to learn that the Rent Board has no property owner representation. I am running for rent board commissioner to give our city's ADU builders, homeowners, and multi-family property owners fair representation. Property owners make up the bulk of the city's tax base, yet their voice is missing when the Rent Board makes policy decisions affecting them. I share the opinion of 95% of economists that rent control is counterproductive to the goal of lowering rents and increasing the supply and quality of rental housing.
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Shirley Dean, Former Mayor, City of Berkeley
Laurie Capitelli, Former Berkeley City Councilmember
Debra R. Sanderson, Former Planning Manager, City of Berkeley
Bryce Nesbitt, Engineer, Member Public Works Commission
Todd Jersey
Ted Edlin, Former Chair HAC / Member Fire Commission
Kathleen Crandall, Co-Chair ADU Task Force

Jenny Wenk, Personnel Board; CERT Volunteer

Greg San Martin, Housing Supply Advocate

Rolf Bell, Green Living Builders CEO & Tiny House Construction Director

Susan Wengraf, City Councilmember

Alex Bergtraun, Architect

Barbara Gilbert, Homeowner Advocate; Former Local Positions Include Mayoral Aide, Council Candidate, Northeast Berkeley Association Officer, Labor Commissioner

I, **MARI MENDONCA**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Mari Mendonca
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Rent Stabilization Board Commissioner
- 3. That my residence is (Contact City Clerk Department)
- 4. The place of my birth is Berkeley Ca
- 5. My present occupation is Appointed Rent Board Incumbent
- 6. I have held the following public offices: Rent Stabilization Board Commissioner: Eviction/Section 8 Committee; Outreach Committee; 4x4 Committee; Housing Advisory Commission; Community Advisory Group for BART
- 7. Record of community service: Friends of Adeline
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. Housing is a human right. I am proud to have been nominated by the 2020 Berkeley Tenants Convention, a diverse coalition of over 1,000 tenants, landlords and homeowners. I am committed to protecting rent control and tenant's rights. I'm a Berkeley native born at Alta Bates Hospital. I have always been a renter living below the poverty line. My family is multiracial and live the reality of systemic oppression that is the result of global white supremacy. I am deeply concerned about families, our working lower-middle class, students, our unhoused, retired and elderly residents, low income landlords and tenants. We are all victims of the predatory nature of Capitalism especially as it pertains to housing and the destruction of our communities and neighborhoods. I am not afraid to call out the racist and classist systems used to colonize, gentrify and take away our power. I will fight for reparations and justice with truth, integrity, honesty and accountability to move us boldly forward. I am endorsed by The Friends of Adeline, The Berkeley Tenants Union, and Berkeley Citizens Action.
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Maxwell G. Anderson Jr., former Distic 3 Council Member
Jesse Arreguín, Mayor, City of Berkeley
Ben Bartlett, Berkeley City Councilmember
Cheryl Davila, Councilmember District 2
Kate Harrison, Berkeley City Council member, District 4
Rigel Robinson, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 7
Sophie Hahn, Berkeley City councilmember, District 5
Paola Laverde, Rent Stabilization Board, Chair
Alejandro Soto-Vigil, Rent Stabilization Board Commissioner; Political Science Faculty
Ka'Dijah A. Brown, Berkeley School Board Director
Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Berkeley School Board Director
Mansour Id-Deen, Executive Diricto/Inter-City Services, Inc
Willie Phillips, Members Friends of Adeline Former WBNDC President

Fred Dodsworth, Berkeley Citizens Action Steering Committee James McFadden, Dr.

Mary Behm-Steinberg, Homeless Commissioner & HWCAC Commissioner (speaking as myself)

George Lippman, Vice-Chair, Berkeley Peace and Justice Chris Schildt, Vice Chair, Berkeley Housing Authority Board

Edythe Boone, Artist/Friend of Adeline

Wendy Bloom, Commissioner on Berkeley Commission on labor, Registered Nurse

I, **PAWEL MOLDENHAWER**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Pawel Moldenhawer
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Rental Stabilization Board Commissioner
- 3. That my residence is 629 Grizzly Peak Blvd Berkeley CA 94708
- 4. The place of my birth is Warsaw, Poland
- 5. My present occupation is Green Building Contractor
- 6. I have held the following public offices: None
- 7. Record of community service: None
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. I came to Berkeley in 1992 after graduate school to work in biotech. After 14 years I became disillusioned with large corporations; so I quit and became a "green" building contractor. My wife Uma and I have lived and raised our family in Berkeley. We started as renters in an apartment building, then a duplex and a single family house. Finally we bought our home in Berkeley and eventually became landlords ourselves. I have 3 decades of personal experience from every perspective in the Berkeley rental market. If elected, I will use my experience to provide a voice of reason and make decisions based on evidence of which policies are effective in Berkeley or similar municipalities. I will advocate for policies that increase supply and quality of rental housing and incentivize home and ADU owners to create more rental units. I will oppose policies that fail to improve rental housing, regardless of how well intentioned they seem. I am a progressive liberal but not an ideological purist. I believe in a pragmatic approach to solving problems. We don't need more bureaucracy. We need smart, result-based policies to encourage creation of rental units that will mutually benefit tenants and landlords.
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

I, **WENDY SAENZ HOOD NEUFELD**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Wendy Saenz Hood Neufeld
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Rent Stabilization Board
- 3. That my residence is (Contact City Clerk Department)
- 4. The place of my birth is Philadelphia, PA
- 5. My present occupation is Retired
- 6. I have held the following public offices: None
- 7. Record of community service: Member, American Alliance of Museums, 1999-present; Volunteer, Muscular Dystrophy Association, 2014-present; Member, Berkeley Hadassah, 2005-2011; Volunteer Coordinator, Olive Releaf, 9/01–11/01
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. I am running for Rent Stabilization Board (RSB) because I believe in fair and balanced policy making. Having worked much of my career at large non-profit universities, overseeing media budgets, and state bidding contracts, I have developed my ability to stretch limited budgets, to achieve the best possible results. If elected, my first order of business is to push for greater accountability and transparency of the RSB. My second objective is to improve outreach and education so that all Berkeley residents can more fully benefit from the services the RSB provides. Finally, I want to foster community partnerships to further the RSB effectiveness. By respecting the rights of tenants while creating an environment of confidence for homeowners to offer their homes for rent, my main objective is to increase the rental supply of housing. I am a proud owner of a single-family home in the City of Berkeley, that is designated as a Golden Duplex. I understand the need for more affordable housing, and I hope to foster communication between homeowners and The Berkeley Rent Stabilization Board so that we can promote more options for housing.
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

I, **SOULMAZ PANAHI**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Soulmaz Panahi
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Rent Stabilization Board Commissioner
- 3. That my residence is (Contact City Clerk Department)
- 4. The place of my birth is Iran
- 5. My present occupation is Real Estate Agent
- 6. I have held the following public offices: None
- 7. Record of community service: Portion of my business earning goes to ROOF, a nonprofit organization where we support our local community. -Alameda Education Foundation, -Berkeley Food and Housing Project, -Berkeley Public Education Foundation, -Bright Futures, -Lavamaex
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. I immigrated to Berkeley years ago, where I was greeted with ample love and acceptance. I saw opportunities in a city that was known for its inclusion of a variety of viewpoints, and I was happy to take part in civic discourse. However more recently, I have found our society straying towards inequality and adversity, rather than inclusivity. I see in Berkeley, policy decisions are being made that appear one-sided and do not take into consideration what's best for all the citizens it's supposed to represent. I vowed to myself that one day I would give back to the community that has given me so much and I see that the time has come. The Rent Board is meant to represent both landlord and tenant, yet the board is almost wholly comprised of renters. I am running because I intend to bring a balance to the Rent Board that's missing. It will be one that provides consideration for both tenant and property owner. I will work endlessly to ensure that decisions are made using fairness, equality, and empathy. This is an essential step in continuing to make the city of Berkeley one of the most desirable to live in.
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Laurie Capitelli, Former Berkeley City Councilmember Gordon Wozniak, former Berkeley City Councilmember Malcolm Plant, Engineer, Former Zoning Board Member Todd Andrew, Homeless Commission; Solano Avenue Business Improvement District Advisory Board Stan Momtchev, Real Estate Broker Babak Ghassemi, DDS, Dentist

I, **LEAH SIMON-WEISBERG**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Leah Simon-Weisberg
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Berkeley Rent Stabilization Board
- 3. That my residence is (Contact City Clerk Department)
- 4. The place of my birth is San Francisco, CA
- 5. My present occupation is Eviction Defense Collaborative, Directing Attorney
- 6. I have held the following public offices: Vice Chair, Berkeley Rent Stabilization Board; Vice Chair, Housing Advisory Commission; Alternate, Zoning Adjustments Board; Budget and Personnel Committee; Chair, Legislation/IRA/AGA Committee; Chair, Eviction/Section 8/Foreclosure Committee; 4x4 Joint Task Force Committee on Housing: Rent Board/City Council; Alternate, Berkeley Planning Commissioner; Commissioner, Commission on the Status of Women.
- 7. Record of community service: Tenants Together, Founding Board of Directors; Malcolm X Elementary PTA, Board Member; Jewish Community Center East Bay Preschool, Parent Committee Chair; National Lawyers Guild, Los Angeles, Board Member; Innovative Development and Living Solutions of California, Board Member; Berkeley Tenants Union, Executive Committee; Strawberry Creek Lodge, Board Member.
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. Housing is a human right. Leah Simon-Weisberg is proud to have been nominated by the 2020 Berkeley Tenant Convention, a diverse coalition of over 1,000 tenants, landlords and homeowners committed to protecting rent control and tenant's rights. Berkeley continues to face an unprecedented housing crisis which threatens our city's diversity. Now more than ever we need leaders with a proven record of defending rent control and keeping families in their homes. Leah currently serves as Vice-Chair of the Berkeley Rent Board and has led the Board's work in expanding rent control protections and preventing displacement. She is an expert and statewide leader on rent control, landlord-tenant law, and housing policy. Recently she represented Moms 4 Housing in court, fighting for their right to live in an empty corporate-owned home on the grounds that Housing is a Human Right. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, she helped close the Alameda and San Francisco courts, stopping evictions, and organized elected officials to pass eviction moratoria, including a permanent ban on the eviction of tenants for the inability to pay rent accrued during the pandemic. Leah has been a renter in Berkeley for 11 years and has been active in the Malcolm X Elementary PTA. Endorsed by Berkeley Tenants Union,

SEIU Local 1021, Friends of Adeline and Berkeley Citizens Action. <u>www.LeahSimon-Weisberg.com</u>

10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Jesse Arreguín, Mayor, City of Berkeley

Ben Bartlett, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 3

Kate Harrison, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 4

Sophie Hahn, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 5

Rigel Robinson, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 7

Maxwell G. Anderson Jr., Former District 3 City Council member

Ka'Dijah Brown, Berkeley School Board Director

Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Berkeley School Board Director

Andy Katz, East Bay Municipal Utility District Director

Paola Laverde, Rent Stabilization Board, Chair

Wendy Bloom, Commissioner on Berkeley Commission on labor, Registered Nurse Jennifer Shanoski, Chair, Commission on the Status of Women and President, Peralta Federation of Teachers

Chris Schildt, Commissioner, Former Chair, Planning Commission; Vice Chair, Berkeley Housing Authority

Jeffrey J. Carter, Tenant Rights Attorney; Past President Berkeley-Albany Bar Association

Patricia E. Wall, Executive Director, Homeless Action Center

Dominique Walker, Co-founder of Moms for Housing

Elizabeth Grubb, President of Cal Berkeley Democrats

Jack Kurzweil, Administrative Coordinator, Wellstone Democratic Renewal Club

Michelle Mascarenhas-Swan, Parent Activist

Vicki Davis, Malcolm X & Longfellow PTA President

I, **DOMINIQUE WALKER**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Dominique Walker
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Rent Stabilization Board Commissioner
- 3. That my residence is (Contact City Clerk Department)
- 4. The place of my birth is Oakland, CA
- 5. My present occupation is Community Field Organizer
- 6. I have held the following public offices: Alternate, Zoning Adjustment Board, Landmark Preservation Commission, Planning Commission, Sugar Sweetened Beverages Panel
- 7. Record of community service: Co-founder of Moms for Housing, Co-founder of School of Social Justice and Community Development, founding member of Cooperation Jackson
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. Housing is a human right. I am proud to have been nominated by the 2020 Berkeley Tenant Convention, a diverse coalition of over 1,000 tenants, landlords and homeowners committed to protecting rent control and tenant's rights. I have been organizing in my community since I cofounded the School of Social Justice and Community Development as a highschool student in Oakland. After graduating from Tougaloo College I organized within the healthcare system and with local community organizations. I returned home in April of 2019 to discover that in my absence my family had been displaced and, while I was college educated and fully employed, I could not find permanent housing for myself and two children. Together with several other black mothers I co-founded Moms4housing to bring attention to the shocking number of homeless families while hundreds of corporate owned homes lay empty. We started a movement to claim those homes for the community. Berkeley must urgently protect the most vulnerable tenants. Amid this pandemic we must keep families safe in their homes. My experience navigating homelessness, and as an advocate, tenant, and organizer gives me the knowledge of changes that need to be implemented to make housing both accessible and affordable to all. Endorsed by Berkeley Tenants Union, SEIU Local 1021, Friends of Adeline and Berkeley Citizens Action. BereleyRentBoard.org
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Jesse Arreguín, Berkeley Mayor
Ben Bartlett, Berkeley City Councilmember
Kate Harrison, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 4
Sophie Hahn, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 5
Rigel Robinson, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 7
Maxwell G. Anderson Jr., Former District 3 City Councilmember
Ka'Dijah A. Brown, Berkeley School Board Director
Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Berkeley School Board Director

Andy Katz, East Bay Municipal Utility District Director

Paola Laverde, Rent Stabilization Board, Chair

Leah Simon-Weisberg, Vice Chair, Rent Stabilization Board; Vice Chair, Housing Advisory Commission

Andy Kelley, Alameda County Planning Commissioner

Xavier Johnson, Chair, Housing Advisory Commission

John Selawsky, President, Board of Library Trustees, Commissioner, Rent Stabilization Board

Wendy Bloom, Commissioner on the Berkeley Commission on Labor, Registered Nurse

Chris Schildt, Commissioner, Former Chair, Planning Commission; Vice-Chair, Berkeley Housing Authority

Patricia E. Wall, Executive Director, Homeless Action Center

Soli Alpert, Chair, California Young Democrats Progressive Caucus, Rent Board Commissioner

Elizabeth Grubb, President of Cal Berkeley Democrats

Jack Kurzweil, Administrative Coordinator – Wellstone Democratic Renewal Club

I, **BIANCA ZAHRAI**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Bianca Zahrai
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Rent Stabilization Board Commissioner
- 3. That my residence is (Contact City Clerk Department)
- 4. The place of my birth is Tehran, Iran
- 5. My present occupation is ERISA/Employee Benefits Attorney
- 6. I have held the following public offices: N/A
- 7. Record of community service: Volunteer, East Bay Sanctuary Covenant; Volunteer, Immigration Legal Resource Center; Volunteer, International Alliance in Service and Education, Inc.; Veterans Administration Benefits Claims Attorney, Pro Bono
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. I am a UC Berkeley graduate and a long-time Berkeley resident. I'm an attorney by profession and have a worked at the California Legislative Counsel, the US Bankruptcy Court, the US District Court, the federal executive branch, as well as the private sector. As such, I understand how abstract policy works to directly impact people's live. I bring a fresh and unique perspective to the local government, and in particular the Rent Stabilization Board. I will draw on my knowledge and experience, and apply it to the Rent Stabilization Board to serve the City of Berkeley. All Berkeleyans need to have a voice in how their city government works, and I am that voice. I have the dedication and enthusiasm to make Berkeley a better place for all Berkeleyans. I am passionate about making Berkeley a place we can once again be proud to call home, and I would like to represent the interest of all Berkeleyans, both landlords and tenants, in a productive, fair, and balanced manner. I'd be honored to be your voice on the Rent Stabilization Board, and to represent the interest of all Berkeleyans who have a vested interest in this City and call it home.
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

I, **LAURA BABITT**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Laura Babitt
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Berkeley School Board Director
- 3. That my residence is (Contact City Clerk Department)
- 4. The place of my birth is Durham, North Carolina
- 5. My present occupation is Financial Controller
- 6. I have held the following public offices: None
- 7. Record of community service: BUSD: BSEP Planning & Oversight (Parcel Tax), Chair/Member Parent Advisory Committee, Superintendent Budget Advisory Committee CIVIC: Wellstone Democratic Club, Berkeley Democratic Club, NAACP, PCAD
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. Laura Babitt- Leadership for Changing Times. Endorsers include Berkeley Federation of Teachers, Senator Nancy Skinner. I am the parent of three daughters who attend/attended Berkeley schools and a seasoned organizer who understands the inner workings of Berkeley Unified School District. As a BUSD Oversight Committee Member over the last 10 years, I have championed: -Support over Discipline, -Social-Emotional Counselors, -Extended Day & Summer Learning Opportunities, -Office of Family Engagement & Equity, -Special Education Support, -Anti-Racism Task Force, -Educational Parenting and Empowerment Workshops, -Stopping Budget Cuts for Educators. As a finance and accounting professional, along with my hands-on BUSD experience, I have the experience and skills to help BUSD successfully navigate the financial crisis brought on by COVID-19. I am committed to addressing the equity challenges BUSD faces as it reengineers its schools, and strives to overcome the opportunity gap. Through the lens of equity for all Berkeley students, I am committed to: 1. Create accountability structures so that our programs/special education services are implemented effectively, 2. Provide outcome-oriented budgeting, 3. Cut red-tape, 4. Build collaborative welcoming school environments. It is possible to serve all students in BUSD well. I am ready to help make that vision a reality. www.laurababitt.com
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Jesse Arreguín, Berkeley Mayor
Carole Kennerly, Berkeley Vice Mayor & City Councilmember, retired
Ty Alper, Vice-President, Berkeley School Board
Ka'Dijah Brown, Berkeley School Board Director
Josh Daniels, Former Berkeley School Board Member
Karen Hemphill, Former Berkeley School Board Director
Julie Sinai, Berkeley School Board Director
Ben Bartlett, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 3
James Chang, Berkeley Rent Board

Mary Friedman, Former Executive Director Berkeley Public Schools Fund Weldon Bradstreet, Co-Chairperson, BUSD Planning and Oversight Committee Ann Callegari, Family Engagement & Equity Supervisor Dr. Ramona I. Coates, Former Berkeley PTA Council Vice-President, Parent Advisory Committee, VP of Equity & Inclusion BHS PTSA, Anti-Racism Task Force Robert Collier, Sylvia Mendez Elementary parent leader Mark A. Coplan, BUSD PIO, Retired Heidi Goldstein, BUSD Personnel Commission-Vice Chair Elliot Halpern, Board Member ACLU Berkeley North East Bay Chapter Mansour Id-Deen, President of the Berkeley Branch of the NAACP MiMi Pulich, Parent Leader: Washington DELAC, King & BHS LCAP, former PTA Council Vice President & Treasurer, Berkeley High PTA President (outgoing) Michael A. Smith, Pastor, McGee Ave Baptist Church

I, **JOSÉ LUIS BEDOLLA**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is José Luis Bedolla
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is School Board Director, Berkeley Unified School District
- 3. That my residence is 1164 Laurel St, Berkeley CA 94708
- 4. The place of my birth is Guanajuato, México
- 5. My present occupation is Nonprofit CEO
- 6. I have held the following public offices: Disaster and Fire Safety Commission
- 7. Record of community service: I served on the BSEP for Berkeley High School.
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. I am a proud parent of three children. Two are in BUSD schools; one graduated from Berkeley High School (BHS) in June and started college this fall. My children have attended BAM (Berkeley Arts Magnet), Cragmont, Willard, Longfellow, and BHS. Through my children, I have experienced BUSD from kindergarten to college. After a 20-year career in technology, I believe it is time for me to pay it forward and do what I can to support current and future BUSD students. I have started giving back by serving on the Berkeley School Excellence Project (BSEP) committee, which determines some of the district's spending priorities, including the music program at BHS. I currently serve on Berkeley's Disaster and Fire Safety Commission. This is an exceptionally challenging time for parents and children, as well as teachers and administrators. We have to approach this challenge with innovation, rigor, and equity to ensure that we serve all of our students. The pandemic has made clear we are not serving our students as we should. To change that, we must come together as a community to protect and support the most vulnerable among us. I am committed to doing my part. Please join me.
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Kris D. Gutiérrez, Professor Jennifer Kelso, Third Grade Teacher Elizabeth Mackenzie, BUSD Parent - Cragmont Elementary and King Middle; Former co-PTA President - Cragmont Elementary Kiran Jain, Berkeley Parent Shilen Patel, BUSD Parent

I, **MICHAEL CHANG**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Mike Chang
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Berkeley School Board Director
- 3. That my residence is (Contact City Clerk Department)
- 4. The place of my birth is Brooklyn, New York
- 5. My present occupation is Attorney, U.S. Dept. of Education Office for Civil Rights; Lecturer U.C. Berkeley
- 6. I have held the following public offices: Commissioner, City of Berkeley Police Review Commission
- 7. Record of community service: V.P. of Asian American Affairs, Berkeley Arts Magnet PTA, co-chair Civil Rights Committee Asian American Bar Association
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. An an education law civil rights attorney I will bring expertise in reducing race based disparities in school discipline, providing equal access to students with disabilities, addressing hostile climate issues and bolstering Restorative Justice based safe schools procedures, practices and culture. As a commissioner for the Police Review Commission I have demonstrated my commitment to equity by prioritizing sanctity of life in BPD use of force policy. I believe in the Berkeley progressive tradition of equitable community where education is central to city planning. With three children my family has spent ten years in BUSD and have five more. I have actively served on PTA executive boards and met my closest friends through school. I also lecture in Ethnic Studies and value allyship and historical knowledge to meet the needs of today's conflicts. BUSD administrators and teachers such as Susannah Bell and Jonas LaMattery-Brownell have endorsed me and also Michael Omi professor of Ethnic Studies. Berkeley can go even further as a national model for equitable, fully funded, world class education. To start, if education is community, then teachers and classified staff should be able to afford to live in Berkeley. Let's work with City Council, other districts and the state to fully fund education.
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Jesse Arreguín, Berkeley Mayor
Sophie Hahn, Berkeley Vice Mayor and Councilmember
Judy Appel, President, Berkeley School Board
Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Berkeley School Board Director
Mary Charlesworth, Teacher/Asst. Coordinator R. J Program, King Middle School
Adam Weis, BUSD Teacher of 13 Years at Berkeley Arts Magnet
Joel Chala, Former BAM and MLK middle school PTA President.
Becky Gross, English Teacher, Berkeley Independent Study
Juana Maria Rodríguez, Ph.D., Ethnic Studies Professor, BUSD parent
Jennifer Sowerwine, BUSD parent of 2 kids for 13 years
Thomas J. Carlson, BUSD with 2 kids in school BAM, MLK, BHS

Juliet Leftwich, Attorney, Commissioner, Berkeley Police Review Commission and Commission on the Status of Women.
Kitty Calavita, Chair, Berkeley Police Review Commission
Neil Gray, BUSD parent for 14 years
Helise Cohn, BUSD parent for 14 years
Suzanne Alberga, Chief Development Officer

I, **NORMA J F HARRISON**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Norma J F Harrison
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is Berkeley School Director
- 3. That my residence is 1312 Cornell Avenue
- 4. The place of my birth is Chicago, II
- 5. My present occupation is Realtor, Community Activist
- 6. I have held the following public offices: None
- 7. Record of community service: Petitioning by Protest demonstrations and Letter writing to electeds. Related community meetings. campaigning for office. Central Committees Member, California Peace and Freedom Party, and Alameda County Peace and Freedom Party 2000 to present
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. I began my studies to qualify to do school teaching in 1959. I became licensed, having completed 4 years of college study, in 1963. Until 20 years ago I held various positions teaching and conducting student activities. At one, the Community Action Program/Total Action Against Poverty in Roanoke, Va., where I was the Education Director of a program to direct the local students and their families to use public school better, I kept having to promote the traditional tactic that people are to utilize school in order to achieve goals satisfactory to themselves and their communities. Various understandings including research and experience suddenly enlightened me; I was overcome with the recognition that it is school itself that is the problem. The institution is the location of overall eradication of the person who attends and of their family. Both are obligated to become an 'other' in order to fit the requirements school has in order to meet the design, the demands of this social system, to provide submission to a de facto slavery system that provides profit, wealth, and power to the few people who own it. That's what the wars and the school tests have always been for.
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Michael Ferguson, Attorney
Gary Hicks, Retired School Teacher
Barbara S. Chapman, neighbor
Jack Morris, Mr.
Maurice Martin, VFP ex-soldier
Richard O'Donnell, botanist
Jane Welford, activist
Julia Morris, neighbor
Seneca Holmes, neighbor
John Whitaker, contractor
Daria Harrison, Accountant

Summer Stallmeyer Michael Delacour, member Dusk Delacour

I, **ESFANDIAR IMANI**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Esfandiar Imani
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is School Board
- 3. That my residence is (Contact City Clerk Department)
- 4. The place of my birth is Tehran / Iran
- 5. My present occupation is Risk Management Consultant
- 6. I have held the following public offices: Berkeley High School BSEP (Berkeley School Excellence Program) Committee; BUSD (Berkeley Unified School District) Planning & Oversight Committee
- 7. Record of community service: Berkeley School Volunteer (BSV) food and computer distribution during the pandemic; Youth Engagement Advocacy Housing (YEAH!) Berkeley; Boat Refugee Foundation Camp Moria, Greece; Meals on Wheels Berkeley; HelpBerkeley.org
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. I will work tirelessly to ensure Berkeley public schools are where students feel safe, are given proper support, and have equitable opportunities to reach their full potential; where the families are heard and their concerns are addressed; and where the teachers are properly appreciated. I am a longtime Berkeley resident. All my three daughters attended and graduated from Berkeley public schools, K-12. While we benefited greatly from the education system, there are areas that need improvements. Some require immediate actions such as eliminating sexual assaults and harassments and further addressing racial inequalities. Ending the school to prison pipeline and bringing BUSD schools to zero carbon footprints require sustained efforts. I know how easily a student can be lost without proper support. In middle school I had my challenges. Thanks to an instructor, I overcame my fears and started to excel. I was 17 when I emigrated to the United States. No parents around, no financial assistance, but the importance of education never wavered in me. I would have never imagined, a few years later, I'd be getting undergrad and graduate degrees from one of the top universities in the world, UC Berkeley. Given proper support, any student can achieve their highest potentials.
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

I, **ANA VASUDEO**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



- 1. That my name is Ana Vasudeo
- 2. The office for which I am a candidate is School Board Director
- 3. That my residence is 1204 Dwight Way Berkeley, CA 94702
- 4. The place of my birth is San Francisco, California
- 5. My present occupation is Safe Routes to School Senior Transportation Planner at the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency
- 6. I have held the following public offices: Appointed Member, At-Large Seat for San Mateo County, Geneva-Harney Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Feasibility Study Community Advisory Committee (GHCAC)
- 7. Record of community service: Berkeley PTA Council, Vice President of Equity and Inclusion; Elected Member, School Site Council, Cragmont Elementary; PTA Vice President, Cragmont Elementary; Walk Bike Berkeley volunteer.
- 8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
- 9. I am running for Berkeley School Board because I believe that all our students can reach their full potential with the right support systems. As a child who was an English-language learner and benefitted from supportive and diverse public schools, I know first-hand how important community and school partnerships are in closing our opportunity gaps. My husband and I are raising two wonderful boys in Berkeley and both are enrolled in Berkeley public schools. As a parent, I have held leadership positions in both site and districtwide PTAs. As an urban planning professional, I have dedicated my career to creating safe streets for our students. I currently oversee the San Francisco Safe Routes to School Program and ensure that over 55,000 children can get to school safely and sustainably. In the era of COVID-19, ensuring that all students receive the academic and social-emotional support they need will be a top priority of mine. I am proud to have earned the endorsement of the Berkeley Federation of Teachers and many community and civic leaders. Please visit my website at www.anavasudeo.org to learn more about my campaign.
- 10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Nancy Skinner, State Senator, District 9
Jesse Arreguín, Mayor, City of Berkeley
Sophie Hahn, Vice Mayor & Councilmember - City of Berkeley
Ben Bartlett, Berkeley City Councilmember
Lori Droste, Berkeley City Councilmember
Kate Harrison, Berkeley City Councilmember

Rashi Kesarwani, Berkeley City Councilmember
Rigel Robinson, Berkeley City Councilmember
Susan Wengraf, Berkeley City Councilmember
Judy Appel, President, Berkeley School Board
Ty Alper, Vice-President, Berkeley School Board
Ka'Dijah Brown, Director, Berkeley School Board
Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Director, Berkeley School Board
Julie Sinai, Director, Berkeley School Board
Josh Daniels, Former Berkeley School Board Director
Karen Hemphill, Former Berkeley School Board Director
Angela Gallegos-Castillo, Latinx Community Leader, Latinos Unidos de Berkeley
Kim Walton, Parents of Children of African Descent- Member
Barnali Ghosh, Chair of the Berkeley Transportation Commission
Liza Lutzker, Safe Routes to School Parent Champion; Researcher, UC Berkeley
School of Public Health