

VOTER'S PAMPHLET

STATE LEGISLATIVE CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS

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STATE SENATOR, 3 RD DISTRICT	SPANISH
<p>JOE NATION DEMOCRATIC</p> <p>Too many politicians in Sacramento care more about scoring political points or advancing pet issues than about solving California's biggest problems. As your Senator, I'll listen to you.</p> <p>As a former Assemblymember representing Marin and Sonoma Counties, Climate Change Advisor at ENVIRON, and Stanford University teacher, I've built a reputation for working with colleagues to address the most important issues.</p> <p>My record shows that this collaborative style works. I was the principal co-author of California's landmark climate change bill, AB 32 - Global Warming Solutions Act, which reduces global warming pollution by 30%. As an Assemblymember, I authored nearly 50 bills that became law.</p> <p>Raising a family and living in Marin and Sonoma Counties since 1982, I've focused on issues that matter the most to us. I authored legislation to establish North Bay commuter rail, eliminate solar energy taxes, and launch a class size reduction program.</p> <p>My work on climate change is just beginning. I'll fight for state funding to develop clean alternative energy, promote policies that reduce our dependence on foreign oil, and launch a "carbon market" by 2010.</p> <p>I'll work everyday to lower medical costs through universal health care, widen Highway 101, and start a commuter rail. I'll oppose any "Doyle Drive" tax on Sonoma County residents. I'll use my expertise to fix the budget mess and help rebuild our sagging economy. And unlike my opponents, I won't vote to cut school funding. For more information, visit www.joenation.com. I respectfully ask for your vote.</p> <p>Joe Nation This Nation Works for Sonoma County</p>	<p>JOE NATION DEMÓCRATA</p>

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MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY, 6TH DISTRICT

TIMOTHY J. HANNAN

LIBERTARIAN

I am running for the Sixth State Assembly District because Californians need to start pushing back against excessive government.

I have been practicing law for thirty years, focusing on business, construction, and real estate issues. During the past three decades, I have watched the government at all levels become ever larger, more intrusive, and more inhibiting to economic growth. I want to provide a voice in the State Legislature to counter excessive spending and limit the size of the government.

I am married, and my wife and I have a 13-year-old son. I earned a bachelor's degree in Political Science at the University of San Francisco, and earned my law degree at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. I have been active in politics in the North Bay Area for about ten years.

Please help me instill in the State legislators a stronger sense of responsibility to the taxpayers, and a deeper respect for the citizens' rights and liberties.

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MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY, 7 TH DISTRICT	SPANISH
<p>DORIS GENTRY REPUBLICAN</p> <p>Occupation: President Manufacturing Distribution</p> <p>Education & Qualifications: 25+ years Business Management experience leading and overseeing companies needs including: fund-raising; strong Board Leadership; human relations/training; marketing/PR/guest speaking and financial responsibilities.</p> <p>Manufacturing: Interfaced with administrative agencies working in vertical and horizontal markets involving inter-disciplinary activities that spanned 3 continents. Represented Lift Mates, Inc to the World and built strong relationships with key stakeholders. Engaged engineering departments for tooling redesign; handled patents; introduced marketing strategies and worked with International auditing for humanitarian sensitivity.</p> <p>Business in LA: Owned the largest non-franchised employment agency in LA in 1980. Helped thousands of homeless & recovering addicts become gainfully employed.</p> <p>Banking: Helped Southern Illinois Banks become SBA Certified for low-income loans, formed SBA off-site bank funding center with authority to fund loans.</p> <p>Ministry: Served 30+ years in Churches as VBS Director, Women's Ministry Director & Worship Leader. Worked as a Consultant to Churches assisting in televising worship services to increase attendance and taught communication techniques for congregants. Traveled and spoke at over 100 Women's Retreats and led workshops across America.</p> <p>Memberships: Napa County Licensed Foster Parent, MENSA, Rotary, Grace Church Napa. Never had DUI or been arrested. Fingerprinted and listed on Live Scan.</p>	<p>DORIS GENTRY</p>

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COUNTY SUPERVISOR, 1 ST DISTRICT	SPANISH
<p>WILL PIER Occupation: Ecologist, Teacher, former Home Builder</p> <p>As your Supervisor, I will lead our County to a sustainable future for our children and grandchildren. With my experience I will help develop a water management plan, promote green building and industry, and foster a thriving local economy. Support SMART rail, increase bike paths and public transportation. Affirm open space and agricultural land preservation, and local farming. Implement a "zero waste" program ensuring viable County management of waste facilities. Revive County health care services and facilities, increase recreational facilities, and encourage programs for seniors, youth and disabled.</p> <p>I have enjoyed living in Sonoma County for 38 years with my wife Anna, raising six children. My present work is creek habitat restoration and education; for 20 years I worked in building and remodeling. I serve on the Sonoma Valley Citizens Advisory Commission, Local Task Force for the Sonoma County Waste Management Agency, and Salmonid Restoration Federation board, and previously on City of Sonoma Community Services and Environment Commission (11 years). My education (SRJC; UC Berkeley, B.A., Geography; and Leadership Institute for Ecology and the Economy) gives me a depth of experience to make informed decisions.</p> <p>Listening to your concerns will guide my actions as your Supervisor. Thank you for your vote.</p>	<p>WILL PIER Ocupación:</p>
COUNTY SUPERVISOR, 1 ST DISTRICT	SPANISH
<p>VALERIE K. BROWN AGE: 62 Occupation: Sonoma County Supervisor, First District</p> <p>It has been my pleasure to represent you on the Board of Supervisors. Working together, we have made real changes to protect our quality of life from Santa Rosa to Schellville.</p> <p>We established the first Groundwater Study in Sonoma County and made sure all stakeholders were part of the process every step of the way. We established the Redevelopment Advisory Commission for the Springs Area in Sonoma Valley. We supported Senior Services at Vintage House and Meals on Wheels. We fought mobile home park operators from forcing homeowners into unwanted conversions and having unfair costs passed on to them.</p> <p>In addition, we have implemented new ideas and protected our quality of life. We kept the Indian casino out of the Sonoma Valley Baylands, supported Measure F to protect our open space, and we have had strong voices fighting crime, drugs and gangs.</p> <p>At the same time, I attended Harvard's JFK School of Government and County Leadership Institute for leadership training in county government. I learned additional ways to represent you, as well as new tools and techniques to help serve you.</p> <p>My office has always been accessible and responsive. I appreciate your support and ask for your vote.</p>	<p>VALERIE K. BROWN EDAD: 62 Ocupación:</p>

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COUNTY SUPERVISOR, 1 ST DISTRICT	SPANISH
<p>DAVID REBER AGE: 54 Occupation: Affordable Home Builder</p> <p>I am a 3rd generation native of the 1st District. As a father, husband, citizen, and community volunteer, I want to honorably represent the people of the place I grew up, raised my own family, and make my home.</p> <p>Luther Burbank said we live in “the chosen spot.” I believe we have a responsibility not to neglect it, or the people who live here. Yet the county has neglected our public safety, (violent crime is up), our public assets (our roads are terrible), and our public health (Sutter is closing with no plan for replacement).</p> <p>Together we can fix these problems. I helped oversee \$54 million in school bond projects as a Sonoma trustee, and through collaboration, innovation and attention to detail we gave our voters more for their money, not less. We need that spirit at the county level, and I'm ready to provide it.</p> <p>I pledge that I'll rely on facts, common sense, and the rule of law in everything I do, and that no constituent of mine will ever be ignored. I ask for your vote, and the honor of serving you.</p> <p>Please visit www.davereber.com. Thank you.</p>	<p>DAVID REBER EDAD: 54 Ocupación:</p>
<p>LAWRENCE R. WIESNER AGE: 64 Occupation: Accountant/Educator/Parent</p> <p>Payback. That's what this candidacy is about. Raylene and I have lived in Sonoma County for 28 years. We've enjoyed beauty, bounty, and blessing. It's time to pay my community back.</p> <p>Here are five ways I'd like to do it. 1) Model Servant Leadership. The best leaders are short-term servants, not lifetime professional politicians. They are accessible to all, attentive to all, and in the back pocket of none. That will be me. 2) Keep People Safe. Burgeoning gangs, frequent murders, and increased drug trafficking are unacceptable. Working closely with law enforcement, churches, and other citizen groups, we can control them. 3) Oversee Responsible Development. My campaign motto is “Keep the Valley Green.” That's possible if we safeguard its extraordinary beauty by pegging growth to available resources. Accordingly, I oppose more or bigger casinos, which strain the environment, hurt the poor, and encourage crime. 4) Protect Property Rights. These days, it's all the rage to increase tax revenues by using eminent domain to steal people's private property and hand it over to big business. Not on my watch. 5) Develop Infrastructure. Better roads, new roads, more water...it's just what supervisors do.</p> <p>Visit www.votewiesner.com or call 578-5905/539-6808</p>	

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<p>VERONICA JACOBI AGE: 49 Occupation: Santa Rosa Councilwoman, Engineer</p> <p>I'm running for Supervisor to create a Safe, Healthy & Sustainable Sonoma County.</p> <p>I bring over 17 years of local experience to the Board of Supervisors as a Santa Rosa City Councilwoman, Sonoma County Human Services Commissioner, Sierra Club Executive Committee member, Sonoma County Water Coalition Co-Founder, and Sonoma County Conservation Council Vice-Chair.</p> <p>I serve on the the following Santa Rosa committees: Gang Prevention Task Force, Environmental, Waterways, and Board of Public Utilities Liaison.</p> <p>For 28 years as a mechanical engineer (graduate UCLA), I've specialized in energy and environmental management for the Environmental Protection Agency, PG&E and my own energy conservation consulting firm. I am uniquely qualified to analyze our resource challenges and offer solutions to our limited water supply, improving air/water quality, curbing greenhouse gas emissions, and preserving agriculture/greenbelts.</p> <p>My priorities – growing green local economy – reducing crime/gangs – increasing affordable housing – improving public transportation, pedestrian, bicycle options – expanding alliances of business, government and community groups to solve traffic, planning, healthcare and education challenges.</p> <p>As a mother, former foster parent, former caregiver for my grandfather with Alzheimer's, bilingual daughter of an immigrant and Co-Founder of Sonoma County's Special Olympics soccer, I understand life's diversity. I pledge to represent all our citizens. I'd greatly appreciate your vote.</p> <p>www.VeronicaJacobi.com</p>	<p>VERONICA JACOBI EDAD: 49 Ocupación:</p>
COUNTY SUPERVISOR, 3 RD DISTRICT	SPANISH
<p>TIM SMITH AGE: 53 Occupation: Councilmember</p> <p>As Supervisor, I will work on your behalf to improve our local Economy through fiscally responsible decision-making based upon our shared values; the Environment to protect our natural resources for a sustainable future; and Equity to assure social justice for all within our diverse society.</p> <p>Experience has prepared me for the challenges facing us. As a Mayor and Councilmember, I have represented you on numerous regional boards and committees which include – Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District Advisory Committee, Chair of Sonoma County Waste Management Agency, President of Redwood Empire Municipal Insurance Fund and Association of Bay Area Governments Representative to the San Francisco Estuary Project.</p> <p>I will continue to work on your behalf to assure we have clean water, open space protection, crime prevention, responsible energy use, sensible transportation policies, climate protection, affordable housing, living wages and health care services available for all.</p> <p>Community involvement, independent leadership and elective experience all provide a solid foundation for me to serve as your Supervisor.</p> <p>Working together we can assure a better future for all of us throughout Sonoma County.</p> <p>For further information, please visit www.vote4tim.com.</p> <p>I would be honored to have your vote!</p>	<p>TIM SMITH EDAD: 53 Ocupación:</p>

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<p>SHARON WRIGHT AGE: 64 Occupation: 3 Term Council Member, Businesswoman, Community Leader</p> <p>As your Supervisor I will get things done!</p> <p>That has been my record as Santa Rosa Councilmember, Mayor, County Planning Commissioner, Metropolitan Transportation Commissioner, California Coastal Commission alternate, SMART Board member and director on many non-profit boards. I authored the urban growth boundaries initiative; helped secure millions of dollars for Sonoma County transportation projects, helped raise sixteen million dollars for a new Cardiac Care facility, started the first Mayor's Gang Task Force in Sonoma County; created new facilities and programs for teens; made neighborhood policing a reality and brought environmentally sensitive businesses with well-paying jobs to the county. I initiated programs that protect our seniors living on fixed incomes and in mobile homes.</p> <p>We face challenging times. Now is the time to address our challenges in a collaborative, innovative manner and make the necessary tough fiscally responsible decisions. That is my record and will be my commitment to you as your Supervisor.</p> <p>Your welfare and your concerns will always be my first priority. Therefore, I will focus on gangs, crime, water, roads, health care delivery – especially mental health – climate protection and creating well-paying jobs while, at the same time, protecting Sonoma County's environment.</p> <p>I ask for your vote. Thank you.</p>	<p>SHARON WRIGHT EDAD: 64 Ocupación:</p>
COUNTY SUPERVISOR, 3 RD DISTRICT	SPANISH
<p>SHIRLEE ZANE AGE: 48 Occupation: CEO, Council on Aging of Sonoma County</p> <p>My long experience advocating on behalf of seniors, the disabled and disenfranchised make me uniquely suited to be your Supervisor. I have a history of getting things done. In 9 years as CEO of Council on Aging, I have raised millions for services such as Meals on Wheels and a state-of-the-art kitchen to serve in times of disaster. My 25 years in health and human services offers new leadership for a healthy, sustainable Sonoma County.</p> <p>I will fight for health access for all. We cannot have any more for-profit hospital operators putting profits before the health of our population and must restore cuts to mental health funding.</p> <p>We must combat global warming through alternative locally controlled energy, green jobs and strict emissions control. We must expand public transit, including the SMART train and bicycle lanes for livable communities. I am proud to have created the Take Back the Streets March and Rally to promote bicycle and pedestrian safety.</p> <p>Our County faces many challenges, from health care, to crime prevention, to restoring our aquifers, preserving our open space and forests and finding alternative energy solutions. Please visit my website at www.zaneforsupervisor.com to read more about how I will address these issues.</p>	<p>SHIRLEE ZANE EDAD: 48 Ocupación:</p>

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COUNTY SUPERVISOR, 5 TH DISTRICT	SPANISH
<p>MADDY HIRSHFIELD AGE: 56 Occupation: Sonoma County Field Rep. for Assemblywoman Patty Berg</p> <p>Sonoma County has been my home for 24 years, and there's no place I'd rather be. Like many of us in the 5th District, I believe we can make our county even better. And the place to start is locally.</p> <p>I've stood on the frontlines with working families seeking economic security. I'm fighting for universal single-payer healthcare – the only way to cover everyone fairly. I've fought to protect and preserve our open space and watersheds. I've led local efforts to guarantee equal civil rights.</p> <p>My priorities: healthcare for all; land use that puts the environment first; more reliance on renewable energy – reduce greenhouse gas emissions; smarter transportation planning – rail and bike paths; protect farmland – support farm workers; affordable housing and services for the homeless; equality for all.</p> <p>My campaign theme is "Acting Locally for a Healthy Future" because I believe county policies should better reflect our district's progressive values.</p> <p>Endorsements: Congressman Mike Thompson, John Burton, Wesley Chesbro, Senators Sheila Kuehl, Carole Migden, Assemblyman Mark Leno, Assemblywoman Patty Berg, Councilman Sam Pierce, Anne Magnie, Jim Leddy, Jill Ravitch, Sonoma County Young Democrats, Carpenters Union, Gay & Lesbian Victory Fund.</p> <p>I will serve you tirelessly. I'd be honored to have your vote. www.maddy4supervisor.com</p>	<p>MADDY HIRSHFIELD EDAD: 56 Ocupación:</p>
COUNTY SUPERVISOR, 5 TH DISTRICT	SPANISH
<p>EDDIE ALVAREZ AGE: 31 Occupation: Volunteer/Businessman</p> <p>Why am I running? Well for starters I don't agree with the way things are going, and as a native son this is my call to duty! Action, not words, puts the money where my mouth is! I'll proudly lead by example, by putting the majority of my first year's net salary towards public schools.</p> <p>I don't have political baggage. I've never sought out a political office, yet I'm the first official Sonoma County Supervisor Candidate. I don't fear work, and do what needs to be done to accomplish my goals. Such as when I restored creeks on my 18th birthday, because I felt that it was a gift for both Sonoma County and me. There isn't a better gift than the one that keeps giving.</p> <p>My thumbs were not made for twiddling. Business has taught me to get it done, or not eat. I don't pretend to know it all, but I have the right tools to get it done. Let my love for the environment, and the knowledge of the business world serve you. No twiddling of thumbs. Let's get it done!</p>	<p>EDDIE ALVREZ EDAD: 31 Ocupación:</p>

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<p>TOM "MANURE MAN" LYNCH AGE: 50 Occupation: Builder–Community Activist–Sonoma County EDB & RRROC</p> <p>I am a builder blessed with a wonderful family, my wife Svetlana, our 4 year old Katya and mother-in-law Layma. For almost thirty years in Sonoma County's Fifth District I've demonstrated strong visionary leadership helping people, protecting our environment, developing our economy, supporting the arts and advocating increasing government effectiveness. My journey ranges from youthful idealist fighting wastewater discharges in the Russian River, including covering downtown Santa Rosa with cow manure from a broadcast manure spreader ("Manure Man"); to currently serving as Supervisor Mike Reilly's appointee on Sonoma County's Economic Development Board and twice elected chairman of the Russian River Redevelopment Oversight Committee.</p> <p>Since 2000, average household income in Sonoma County declined 2% while Sonoma County's employee compensation increased 70% (average salary plus benefits, 4000 public servants, \$112,000/year with over 700 earning \$150,000-\$310,000/year). We must reform and reallocate our time, talent and treasure toward greatest benefit. We have moral obligations to protect the poor and victimized, to educate our children and help at-risk youth, succeed. We need more resources for environmental protection, mental health services, struggling non-profits, volunteer and faith based organizations. Your vote supports pragmatic progressivism. As your Supervisor I will embrace ALL toward creative and innovative solutions. "Together Toward a Sustainable Future." www.TomLynch4Supervisor.com</p>	<p>TOM "MANURE MAN" LYNCH EDAD: 50 Ocupación:</p>
COUNTY SUPERVISOR, 5 TH DISTRICT	SPANISH
<p>GUY F. SMITH AGE: 55 Occupation: Property Management/Film Producer</p> <p>I have many concerns regarding our future and believe strongly that I can make a difference. Critical decisions must be made to lead us towards realistic budget spending. Experience in wetlands remediation, agriculture and the film industry have taught me the importance of budget constraints and completing tasks on time.</p> <p>As your supervisor, I will have the ability to clarify the dichotomies that exist between agriculture and environment. I am a strong advocate of watershed clean-up and enhancement. As a board member of the Laguna de Santa Rosa Foundation, I received the hands-on environmental science experience necessary to make sound decisions concerning our future.</p> <p>My years on the Sonoma County Historical Society board, participating in preserving our county's rich cultural history, has been an honor, as was being president of the Pacific Coast Air Museum.</p> <p>Youth guidance is an investment we must make. I assisted our local middle school for many years in outdoor education programs and am optimistic that these children hold the key to our future. Having spent many years as a volunteer fireman, my sense of community is strong, and public safety is of utmost importance. As your Supervisor, I will treat each issue with complete objectivity and fairness.</p>	<p>GUY F. SMITH EDAD: 55 Ocupación:</p>

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<p>JIM MARESCA AGE: 64 Occupation: Retired Businessman/Environmental Activist</p> <p>I am applying for the job of Supervisor – representing 5th district residents on the executive team that manages the \$1.3 billion/4,000 employee Sonoma County government. My qualifications include leadership in problem-solving and organizational management – plus core beliefs in environmental and social justice.</p> <p>I began my adult life as a seminarian and spent several years in social service: organizing farm workers, inner city school teaching, and fighting irresponsible development. When marriage and children required earning enough to support my family, I moved first into the academic world, teaching ethics at a university and later becoming a university administrator. Eventually, I moved into a 22-year career in business, where I turned out to be surprisingly good at financial and business management. I moved rapidly up the ranks to become, director, vice president, or president of several companies, including billion-dollar operations like Oracle as well as start-ups like Nextbus.</p> <p>Now that my children are raised, I have returned to my first passion – community service – and immersed myself in non-profit volunteer work. My strong social and environmental values combined with highly developed management skills make me an ideal fit to help manage Sonoma County during the coming budget crisis.</p>	<p>JIM MARESCA EDAD: 64 Ocupación:</p>

COUNTY SUPERVISOR, 5 TH DISTRICT	SPANISH
<p>EFREN CARRILLO Occupation: Consumer Financial Educator</p> <p>My entire life I have called Sonoma County home and I am committed to protecting and nourishing this magnificent place. I will bring a fresh perspective and a new voice to problem solving, bridging old differences and disagreements.</p> <p>Growing up in the Roseland area gave me a unique understanding of the importance of safe neighborhoods and schools. I will work with families, law enforcement, and schools to make our streets safe from gangs and violence.</p> <p>Studying Environmental Economics and Policy at UC Berkeley developed the foundation of my commitment to ensuring a healthy environment for future generations. I have been directly involved in our community on issues concerning healthcare, public safety, water policy, job development, affordable housing, the environment, and agriculture. As your Supervisor I will apply my leadership experience to ensure our county remains beautiful and healthy.</p> <p>I'll work to prevent sprawl by upholding voter enacted urban growth boundaries, improve water quality, continue work to restore the Russian River and wild fish runs, protect our treasured resources, protect our family farms from development pressures, and reduce global warming emissions.</p> <p>I'd be honored by and appreciate your vote. Together, we can make a difference. Thank you.</p>	<p>EFREN CARRILLO Ocupación:</p>

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<p>DAN KAHANE Occupation: Water Programs Specialist/Environmental Educator/Farmer</p> <p>I am seeking this office because I love Sonoma County and I am qualified. I want to work for you and with you toward a future in which economic vitality, environmental health, and social well-being are understood as a single, interdependent system. I have expertise in and a deep commitment to practicing fiscal responsibility and effective government through strategic coordination at the local, state and federal levels. Together we can integrate sensible environmental stewardship with wise governance.</p> <p>As a water programs specialist, project manager, educator, father, musician, farmer and English/Spanish speaker, I reflect the character of West County. If you choose me to work for you, I will be more than a vote on the Board of Supervisors — I will be a strong, well-informed voice for our district's progressive ideals.</p> <p>The business sector and the environment are critically interdependent. We should continue Sonoma County's national leadership in environmental protection by providing incentives and rewards to green businesses, developing efficient and reliable transportation systems, and exploring creative uses of recycled water. We must also ensure that our roads are in good repair and that our firefighters and sheriffs have the support they require. Working together, we can do more.</p>	<p>DAN KAHANE Ocupación:</p>
COUNTY SUPERVISOR, 5 TH DISTRICT	SPANISH
<p>RUE FURCH AGE: 62 Occupation: Consulting Business Owner, Project Management</p> <p>What sets me apart from other candidates? Thirty-eight years of living in the 5th District, and experience as an environmental advocate, as a County Planning Commissioner, a local small business owner, and a mother.</p> <p>I've made a difference. I know it takes leadership, cooperation, judgment, stamina – and the ability to take political heat.</p> <p>As your Supervisor: I will continue to fight for a county-wide water budget that conserves our water resources and stops increased exports until we have enough clean water for our own use.</p> <p>I will continue to fight for comprehensive local health care systems ensuring that all who need care – mental or physical – are able to receive it.</p> <p>I will continue to fight for a 60% greenhouse gas reduction by 2030. I will make clean energy and green practices a priority for Sonoma County.</p> <p>I will continue to fight to create affordable housing, protect and restore the Russian River, promote local sustainable agriculture, fight for local jobs, and preserve parks and forestlands.</p> <p>Organizations that endorse me (Conservation Action, Housing Advocacy Group), know my values and accomplishments. They know I'll be a leader for the 5th District. And they know I'll always listen. www.ruefurch.com</p>	<p>RUE FURCH EDAD: 62 Ocupación:</p>