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### **General Legislative Questions:**

1. Please list your top three priorities if elected to the State Legislature.

### **COMMUNITY ADVOCACY**

I want to work on behalf of my district working long side of citizens, sharing their needs at the state level. I am committed to be a community advocate. After listening to many voices in the community, it is clear our citizens want to be heard. It's important to keep the government accountable to its citizens and uphold their constitutional rights

### **SUPPORTING SCHOOLS and YOUTH PROGRAMS**

I want to work with my districts school boards, principals, teachers, and parents to benefit youth and a healthy educational environment as our Community continues to grow. I want to visit schools and share with youth how they can be involved with the future of District 20, in Idaho. I would like to work with above entities to make sure they are being fiscally responsible to our communities they serve

Youth programs and youth wrap around services are crucial to healthy communities. Youth are the future of our state and they deserve the support of our government.

### **COLLABORATIVE GOVERNMENT**

It's time to start working together at all levels of government to benefit the communities in our state. Government need to be fiscally responsible all levels being accountable to one another to benefit the citizens.

2. In your view, what are the top three challenges currently facing the Meridian community?

Adjusting to rapid growth, working with county and state government to make sure communities are equipped with what they need to make responsible decisions, Tax increases

3. What would you do to address those issues?

My goal is to build healthy relationships with county and city agencies, to address what they need for support at state level. I think working with other legislators to created rules that equip our county and city governments to succeed being fiscally responsible with taxation, transportation, and educational goals are key.

I plan on being transparent with my district on what decisions are being made and why. I want to discuss propositions that are coming up and the way they would affect district 20.

4. Please describe your philosophy on education and how you interpret the state's role as outlined in the Idaho State Constitution "to establish and maintain a general, uniform and thorough system of public, free common schools"?

I think it's the role of our state to provide schools that equip youth with a basic standard of education, that meets and/or competitive with the National standard. If we can support that we will be fulfilling our obligations under the Idaho constitution.

5. Please rank in order form 1-8 the priority you would place on the following legislative issues:

N/A, I think all the issues are important. I think there are many other issues that go by the wayside. Idaho has 189 State Administrative Agencies that function to keep our state in order. I think we need to make sure we are caring for each one equally to provide support. I think the legislative branch of government is to create preventative legislation to secure healthy, prosperous, and sustainable living for our communities.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Economic Development
- \_\_\_\_\_ Education
- \_\_\_\_\_ Healthcare Policy
- \_\_\_\_\_ Local Government
- \_\_\_\_\_ State Operations
- \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Policy
- \_\_\_\_\_ Transportation
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other (Please Identify)

6. What separates you from other candidates running for the State Legislature?

I don't come from a family of political influence. It has taken me 3 years of observing, getting involved, and research to decide if I would run for office. As a salon director that business provides over 3000 services a year to our communities. I have had the pleasure of hearing the voices of community's members of all partisan, religion, and economic backgrounds. I have had the privilege of her their concerns. I was encouraged by them and the personal experiences I have had with each system in our State.

#### **Specific Legislative Issue Questions:**

7. What are your thoughts to bring a solution to the high rise in property taxes?

I was able to visit committee hearings this past year in regard to property taxation. Though we are feeling a crunch in Ada County, it seemed that small more rural communities don't want the same legislation on taxes. In order to come to a compromise that would benefit the state as a whole, we need to allow local control and input to support their needs. This could be done through a special election per county or city as has been done with levies. However, I think representatives from each level needs to be at the table.

8. How do you propose to manage the growth that our state is experiencing?

This is the looming question. I think with the growth being so rapid, in sporadic areas around the state, it would have to be managed by each district, county, city etc. They agencies would have to work together.

9. With that growth comes challenges for our transportation infrastructure to keep pace, how do propose we approach the transportation issues?

I am in favor of public transportation. Whether its contracted or county-city funded. I think it will take time. But as most growing populations, it is inevitable. I would like to see in the Treasure Valley public transportation to move to a new city to city, county to county.

10. Do you support the Tax Reimbursement Incentive as a tool to stimulate economic development?

**Yes** or No

Explain: I think just that People who work hard for their income will

11. Do you support Local Option Tax authority for cities and counties?

**Yes** or No

If yes, for what purposes would you support it and what, if any, specific requirements do you feel should be in place? If no, why not?

Especially, this would help our tourist supported communities.

12. Do you believe the Idaho's tax structure is competitive with other states?

Yes or No     N/A

If no, what specific changes do you support to making it more competitive?

13. Do you support the building of needed K-12 schools by bonds or other mechanisms related to growth?

**Bonds or Other**

Explain: There are statues in place that structure how schools can do this. If the bond mechanism is the only option, then that is what we will have to use. However, the impact on our community has to be considered. I also believe an open conversation with our communities are essential.

14. How do you feel about the State of Idaho's response to the pandemic and the closure of non-essential businesses?

I think they have done a great job to meet the needs of all Idahoans. There have been several things put in place by the Federal and State that are helping individuals and businesses.

15. What do you see as the greatest challenge the coronavirus pandemic has created for Meridian?

I think our communities will totally support local small businesses.

16. How can the legislature help Meridian businesses recover from the damage caused by the coronavirus pandemic?

I'm not sure that legislation itself would help individual communities and counties.