



Juneau Pro-Choice Coalition Political Action Committee

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2023 Municipal Candidate Questionnaire

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Please answer all questions. If you would like a question clarified, please contact LaRae Jones at (907) 321-6882 or Nancy Courtney at (907) 321-2285. Space is provided at the end of the questionnaire for additional comments or clarifications of your responses. If we have questions based on your responses, we may call you for a follow-up discussion. **Thank you for your time and consideration.**

QUESTIONNAIRES MUST BE RECEIVED BY August 28, 2023

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1. The Juneau Pro-Choice Coalition believes all women have the right to obtain a medically safe, legal abortion under the standards set by the Supreme Court in the Roe v. Wade decision. Do you support this position and would you vote to ensure access to abortion without restrictions?

Yes No

If "no," please explain: _____

2. Which of the following statements reflect(s) your views on access to abortion services by minors under age 18?

a. I favor no restrictions. X
OR

- b. I favor requiring the following restrictions: Please check all that apply.
 - i. Parental notification. _____
 - ii. Parental consent. _____
 - iii. Parental notification with judicial bypass provision.* _____
 - iv. Parental consent with judicial bypass provision.* _____

*Judicial bypass means a minor has the option to appear before a judge to seek permission to "bypass" the parental notification or consent requirement.

3. Do you favor legislation that:

- a. requires husband/partner notification about an abortion? Yes **No**
- b. requires husband/partner's consent for an abortion? Yes **No**

Comments _____

4. Do you favor the same public funding of abortions for Medicaid-eligible women as is available for other Medicaid-eligible health care? **Yes** No

Comments _____ Abortion is healthcare. _____

5. Alaska law states that publicly funded hospitals may not ban abortion performed in the hospital by qualified medical personnel. Do you agree with this law? **Yes** No

Comments _____

6. In Roe v. Wade (1973), the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that the constitutional right of privacy “is broad enough to encompass a woman’s decision whether or not to terminate her pregnancy,” and that governments may not interfere with that decision up to the time of fetal viability. Do you agree with this ruling? **Yes** No

Comments _The overturning of Roe was bad law, plain and simple, and I don’t view that ruling as legitimate.

7. As an elected official, will you publicly support efforts to provide and improve local access to: a. reproductive health and family planning services? **Yes** No b. emergency contraception? **Yes** No c. abortion services? **Yes** No d. reproductive health and family planning education in schools and throughout the community? **Yes** No

Comments _____

8. As an elected official, will you publicly support Planned Parenthood? **Yes** No

9. What, in your view, are the most appropriate public policies that the community, municipality, and citizenry can enact to address the issues of teen pregnancy, Alaska’s high rate of sexually transmitted infections, sexual assault and abuse, and reproductive health access for men and women?

Comments ___ I think education and access are fundamental to reproductive and sexual health. We know that teen pregnancy rates plummet when sex ed and easy access to contraception are available. Likewise, education about healthy relationships is crucial to provide a frame of reference for victims of sexual assault and intimate partner violence. Partnership with community resources is a great way to provide support and scaffolding to those who need it. _

10. Do you support comprehensive, medically-accurate sexual health education programs** in the Juneau School District? **Yes** No

Comments _____

11. Do you support adoption of comprehensive sexual health education policies and funding for programs proven to be effective at local and state levels?

Yes No

Comments _____

**Sexual health education includes instruction on puberty, healthy sexuality, relationships, consent, pregnancy, STI prevention, reproduction and anatomy, and abstinence.

12. How important are reproductive health rights to you personally, and why?

Comments _Reproductive justice is extremely relevant to me as a person with a uterus. We are talking about basic bodily autonomy when we talk about any restrictions, and that is absolutely not up for debate in my opinion. Under no circumstances should we be making laws about any individual's personal health decisions, which should be between the individual and their health provider.

ASSEMBLY CANDIDATES ONLY:

13. Do you favor appointment of an anti-choice individual to the:

a. Juneau Human Rights Commission? Yes **No** b. Bartlett Regional Hospital Board of Directors? Yes **No**

Comments _____

PLEASE USE AN ADDITIONAL PAGE FOR ADDITIONAL COMMENTS OR CLARIFICATIONS Candidate

Signature: _____ Alicia Hughes-Skandijs _____ Date: ___ 8/6/23 _____