My Ballot Recommendations – June 7, 2022

Please disregard this message if you already know for whom you will be voting in the June 7 primary election; if you are still undecided, I offer you my humble suggestions. In either case, please remember that LOCAL RACES ARE EXCEEDINGLY IMPORTANT, so **do vote all the way down the ballot**.

Every registered voter will have already received a Vote-By-Mail ballot. Ballots can be returned by US Mail (no postage required, must be postmarked by June 7) or at Voter Drop-Boxes and Vote Centers (check for the ones nearest you at ocvote.com). Some open May 28, 8am-5pm; all will be open June 4 through June 6, 8am-8pm, and on Election Day, June 7, 7am-8pm. You can vote in person at any Vote Center in the County; you can also register to vote or update your registration at the same time you vote. Your vote must be in by 8pm on June 7 in order to be counted, so vote early to avoid the rush! Questions? Contact the **OC Registrar of Voters** at 1300 South Grand Ave., Santa Ana, 92705, or check their website at http://www.ocvote.com/.

I've compiled a list with input from individuals I respect who are in the know; I've also consulted my favorite source: the conservative voter guides, two of which can be found here: http://nancyspicks.com/vote-picks and https://robynnordell.com/county/orange/ (my philosophy: let them do all the work and then vote the opposite way!). For most local races, I've only included those in which I either know the candidates or have had them recommended to me by reliable sources.

You can find my suggestions below. Please advise me if you have information about any of these candidates that might warrant a reevaluation or if you know of additional candidates who deserve support. If you desperately need an answer on a race that is not included here, let me know and I will try to get an informed opinion.

HAPPY VOTING!

Peace, Felicity

U.S. Senator Alex Padilla (both)

Representative in Congress

38th District – **Linda Sanchez** 40th District – **Asif Mahmood** 45th District – **Jay Chen** 47th District – **Katie Porter**

49th District – Mike Levin

Governor

Gavin Newsom

Lieutenant Governor

Eleni Kounalakis

Secretary of State

Shirley Weber

Controller

Malia Cohen

Treasurer

Fiona Ma

Attorney General

Rob Bonta

Insurance Commissioner

Ricardo Lara

State Board of Equalization, 4th Dist.

David Dodson

<u>Superintendent of Public Instruction</u>

Tony Thurmond

Member of the State Senate

30th District – Martha Camacho Rodriguez

32nd District – Brian Nash

34th District – **Tom Umberg**

36th District – **Kim Carr**

38th District – **Catherine Blakespear**

Member of the State Assembly

67th District – **Sharon Quirk-Silva**

68th District – Bulmaro "Boomer" Vicente

70th District – **Diedre Thu-Ha Nguyen**

72nd District – **Judie Mancuso**

73rd District – **Cottie Petrie-Norris**

County Superintendent of Schools

Al Mijares

Member of the Orange County Board of Education

Trustee Area 2 – Martha Fluor

Trustee Area 4 – Paulette Chaffee

Trustee Area 5 – **Sherine Smith**

Member of the Orange County Board of Supervisors

2nd District – Vicente Sarmiento or Kim Bernice Nguyen

4th District – **Sunny Park**

5th District – **Katrina Foley**

<u>Assessor</u>

Rick Foster

County Clerk-Recorder

Hugh Nguyen

District Attorney

Pete Hardin

Judges of the Superior Court

Office No. 5 – **Kimberly La Salle**

Office No. 9 – **Joe Dane**

Office No. 11 - Marc Gibbons

Office No. 21 – Erin Beltran Rowe

Office No. 22 - Brahim Baytieh

Office No. 28 – Jessica Cha

Office No. 30 – Michele Bell

Office No. 33 – Brett Wiseman

Office No. 45 – **Kevin Brian Jones**