Santa Cruz for Bernie questionnaire for Robert Summers

2020 Bernie Delegate to the Democratic National Convention (DNC)

Candidate Questionnaire - CA Congressional District 20

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- 1. Your full name >> Robert Nelson Summers
- 2. Your city and county of residence >> Hollister, San Benito
- 3. Length of residence in CD20 >> 18 years
- 4. Your occupation or avocation >> Software Developer
- 5. Significant memberships and affiliations (political, labor union, public service, etc.) >> San Benito County Democrats Central Committee, California Democratic Party Convention Delegate
- 6. Which of Bernie's policy proposals are you most passionate about? >> Medicare For All, College For All, Green New Deal, Corporate Accountability and Gun Safety.
- 7. Do you consider support for Medicare for All single-payer healthcare to be an essential conviction of a true progressive? *Yes or No* >> **Yes**
- 8. During 2019-2020, approximately how many hours were you engaged in campaigning for Bernie in these activities?
- door-to-door canvassing >> hours
- phonebanking >> hours
- tabling >> hours
- other >> hours Describe campaign activity >> **Donations to Bernie's campaign and the Democratic Party.**
- 9. Were you active in Bernie's 2016 campaign? *Yes or No* >> **No** If so, how? >>
- 10. In what other campaigns, organizations, or movements have you been active, and what role did you play? >> None. I am new to this process.
- 11. If you were eligible to vote in the 2016 Primary, who did you vote for President? >> Hillary Clinton Who did you vote for in the 2016 General Election? >> Hillary Clinton If not in California, in what state? >>
- 12. At the DNC, in addition to supporting Bernie's platform and voting for Bernie on the first ballot, what do you realistically hope to accomplish as a part of the delegation at the convention? >> This would be my first time. I am interested in learning how the process works for selecting a presidential nominee and be an active part of that process.
- 13. If there is a second ballot at the DNC, who would you support for President? >> **Joe Biden.** Who would you never support? >>
- 14. Who do you fancy for Vice President? >> Elizabeth Warren, Kamala Harris, Stacey Abrams Who would you never support? >>
- 15. Do you do your political work primarily inside the Democratic Party or outside of it? >> **Inside**
- 16. Do you think the U.S. needs a viable progressive third party? *Yes or No* >> If Yes, what are you doing to build it? >>
- 17. In your opinion, how electable is Joe Biden in November 2020? (enter a number from 1 to 5, with 1=No Chance to 5=Slam Dunk) >> 4
- 18. What do you think are Biden's assets? >> Biden has worked in Washington for a long time and can hit the ground running. He can get the United States back on track again and be a better partner with our allies around the world.

What do you think are Biden's liabilities? >>

19. What differences if any do you think would result from a Biden administration compared to a second Trump administration? >> I believe he would rollback Trump policies that have hurt our county and

return the US as a partner with the rest of the world in regards to environmental issues, the economy, medical issues like the pandemic and human compassion.

- 20. Give an example of when you spoke truth to power. Who were the players, what were the stakes, and what did you do? >>
- 21. Why should Bernie supporters vote for you to be their DNC Delegate? (max 50 words) >> My goal for being a DNC Delegate is to be a part of the process to return a democrat to the White House and to support Bernie's policies at a national level.

(Return this questionnaire to santacruz4bernie@gmail.com by midnight Wednesday, May 27, 2020)