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2016 Candidate Survey Results

Name: Ray D. Martinez

Office Sought: Arizona House

District: 30

Status: Open Seat

Party: Democratic

Website: www.district30team.com

Previous Public Office(s): Currently serve on Alhambra Elementary School District Governing Board

Occupation: Campus Security at Maryvale High School

Education: Master in Organizational Leadership from GCU

Accepting PAC Contributions: Yes

Are you interested in an endorsement: Yes

SURVEY QUESTIONS:

1) If elected, what are your top three priorities for 2017-2018?

Answer: Raising the Minimum Wage Invest in Education
Protect the Community

2) Do you support eliminating the HURF transfers to DPS and other non-road construction and maintenance purposes?

Answer: Yes

Comments: We must continue to invest in the infrastructure which includes maintenance and construction of our roads and bridges.

3) Do you support the continued use of bona fide independent contractors in the trucking industry and oppose efforts by state and local governments to reclassify owner-operators as employees?

Answer: Yes

Comments: The Forth issue I am running on is Small Business. We must continue to support small business owners who are legitimately starting their business and which helps the economy by helping to create more meaningful jobs.

4a) Do you support the conversion of our existing infrastructure into toll roads?

Answer: No

4b) Do you support the use of toll roads for construction of new infrastructure?

Answer: No

Comments: As a new candidate, I first would support investment in improving our highways and bridges as we are already taking money for DES as mentioned in question #6. I would support the idea of toll roads thereafter to continue to

fund investment in infrastructure for safe roads for our truckers across the state.

5) On a scale of one to ten (one being low), how important do you believe transportation infrastructure (roads and highways) is to the success of the Arizona's economy?

Answer: 10

Comments: It is imperative that we improve our investment in the infrastructure of highways and bridges for the safety of truckers and the public traveling daily.

6) Do you support exploring options to increase revenues for transportation funding through either taxes or fees?

Answer: Yes, I think the legislature needs to increase taxes or fees to raise revenue for road infrastructure.

Comments: I believe that we need to find ways to stop taking money destined for highway and bridge infrastructure. If this means that we need to discuss raising taxes or fees to meet this need, then as a new candidate I would discuss this with community leaders, legislators, business folks to ensure that I am delivering the best position possible.

7) Do you support or oppose the "Regulate Marijuana Like Alcohol" ballot proposition?

Answer: I support the marijuana proposition.

Comments: I have seen states like Colorado, Oregon and such and the success of those revenue. I am retired law enforcement and I believe that alcohol poses more harm to families as I have personally seen in my family. I am concerned about the abuse of both but also about the mass amount of money we are spending on prisons. There is much room for discussion of this subject.

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