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November 8, 2016

Candidate's Statement of Qualifications

CITY OF: Garden Grove
OFFICE SOUGHT: Mayor
DISTRICT #: N/A (if applicable)

NAME: Steve Jones **AGE:** 47
(Optional)
OCCUPATION: Garden Grove Mayor Pro Tem

Serving as Garden Grove Mayor Pro Tem has been a great honor and I humbly ask for your vote to become the next elected Mayor.

I was born in Garden Grove and received a quality education in our schools. My wife and I are raising our two children here. My background includes an MBA in Finance from USC and over 20 years of successful business experience. Thanks to your support, I was elected as a Garden Grove City Councilmember in 2008 and again in 2012. Prior, I served eight years as a Garden Grove Planning Commissioner, with three terms as Chair.

I am a strong supporter of creating jobs and expanding our commercial tax base, while keeping the protection of our neighborhoods in balance.

As your Mayor, I will focus on:

Homelessness:
We can no longer ignore this problem or wait for somebody else to provide solutions. Homelessness is not a crime, but its notable increase is a sad reflection on our growing economic disparity. I support proactive efforts to identify our homeless population and lead them to available services.

Family Environment:
Public safety is paramount. I will fight to eliminate crime, gangs, domestic violence, and graffiti by continuing to support the needs of our Police, Fire, and Paramedics.

Quality of Life:
I championed the "Re:Imagine Garden Grove" campaign to preserve everything special about our 'small town' while leading us into the future as a 'big city.' You can expect more and higher paying employment opportunities, plus the arrival of our favorite retailers.

Parks:
We have built a new dog park, skate park, splash pad, and added recreational equipment, with many more improvements to come.

Economic Development:
The Grove District vision has created 3,600 new hotel rooms, adding \$20 million each year to the City's General Fund. I was proud to open the Great Wolf Lodge earlier this

year, after many years in the works. The future includes exciting new projects, like a recently approved \$450-million mixed use development that is going to rock!

District Elections:

We are changing from five to seven Garden Grove City Councilmembers, consisting of six districts and an at-large Mayor. I will foster shared vision by keeping the dialog positive, professional, and focused on doing what is best for our city budget allocations. I have just the right demeanor and historical knowledge of our city to make this a smooth transition.

I have the best interests of Garden Grove deep at heart and hope I have earned your vote this November 8th.

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INSTRUCTIONS: (Elections Code § 13307)

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Date _____

Candidate's Signature

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The Registrar of Voters office has a semi-automated system for Sample Ballot input/layout of Candidate's Statement of Qualifications. Due to the volume of statements and printing deadlines, it is necessary to have a standardized format for candidates' statements. We have prepared the following guidelines to assist candidates in the preparation of their statements.

1. The following paragraph styles are acceptable with this system.

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DO NOT USE ANY PARAGRAPH/FORMAT STYLE OTHER THAN THOSE LISTED ABOVE.

2. All statements must be submitted on our form or typed or printed by automated equipment. **DO NOT PRINT ANY STATEMENT ON LINED PAPER.**

3. NOTE: Name, age, and occupation lines are not included in the word count. Only the text is counted. **The words reflected in the "Occupation" field must follow the ballot designation guidelines.**

4. Do not underline or **bold** WORDS; words may NOT be all CAPITAL letters. §13307

5. Do not use *italics* or different type styles or type sizes to highlight portions of the statement. §13307

6. A 200-word statement must fit on one quarter of a Sample Ballot page. A 400-word statement must fit on a half page of a sample ballot. If your statement exceeds this limitation we will be forced to adjust your format to fit in the space allowed.

7. Do not use bullet points, stars, asterisks, or numbers that function as bullet points to off-set paragraphs. **Excessive number of paragraphs or block-indentation in a Candidate's Statement may cause the statement to not fit in the allotted space even though the word count hasn't exceeded the maximum number of words. If the statement does not fit into the box, you will be asked to edit your statement. Keep this in mind as you write and format your statement.**

8. You may block indent a paragraph as long as you do not use bullet points, stars, asterisks or numbers.

9. All statements are printed in the sample ballot pamphlet with the following titles which are not included in the word count:

NAME OF CITY
TITLE OF OFFICE

Use these general guidelines to assist you in the preparation of your statement.

CHECK YOUR STATEMENT CAREFULLY FOR ERRORS IN SPELLING, PUNCTUATION, AND GRAMMAR BEFORE FILING. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE FORMATTING REQUIREMENTS, YOUR STATEMENT WILL BE PRINTED EXACTLY AS SUBMITTED.