

## IVI-IPO 2015 CHICAGO ALDERMANIC QUESTIONNAIRE - SECTION 2

DATE: Dec. 19, 2014

WARD: 21st

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NUMBER OF PETITION SIGNATURES FILED: 2500 NUMBER REQUIRED: 473

***Please provide the following background information:***

A. Elective or appointive public and/or party offices previously held including dates.

N/A

B. Other elective offices for which you have been a candidate.

N/A

C. What is your primary occupation?

Retired

D. Briefly list your civic activities of the past ten years.

Member of the Slavery Remembrance Committee, Inc., Volunteer – Little Brothers-Friends of the Elderly  
Local School Council Member, Secretary – Winston Avenue Block Club

E. What subjects have you studied and what experience have you had which will be most helpful to you in the office you seek? See attached.

F. What candidates have you supported in past elections? Please be specific in describing your role in each campaign.

I supported Governor Rod Blagojevich as a campaign office volunteer making and accepting phone calls and assisting in getting literature out.

G. Please list all endorsements you have received so far.

Citizens to Abolish Red Light Cameras, Retired Honorable Judge Leslie Elaine South

H. As concisely as possible, state why you feel you should be endorsed over the other candidate(s). What goals for the office you seek are most important to you personally?

I should be endorsed over the other candidates because I have a passion for helping people, especially seniors, I am not in it for the money and I am retired therefore I will be a full time employee.

My goal is to see the 21<sup>st</sup> ward soaring above the other wards; I want to see minority shops and franchises that represent the community and where the money turns over in the community. I want residents of the 21<sup>st</sup> ward to have pride in where we live and not have to go outside the community to shop.

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I. What is your campaign budget? How much have you raised to date?

Campaign budget, \$35-45,000. Raised \$11,000

J. How many people are on your campaign staff? How many volunteers are on your list?

I have no paid staff, however I do have a staff of 5 which includes a campaign manager, precinct captain coordinator, treasurer, social and print manager. I have rotating volunteers.

*Most questions on this questionnaire can be answered by checking either YES or NO. Others are essay questions and all have the option of answering in greater detail. Just hit enter at the end of the question and begin typing your answer in the additional space.*

## CITY COUNCIL REFORM AND ETHICS

|     | YES   | NO |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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| 1.  |       | x  | Do you favor maintaining the current number of City Council committees?                                                                                                                                                                          |
|     | ESSAY |    | Which committees, if any, would you combine or eliminate?<br>I would combine the pedestrian and traffic safety with public safety. Public safety is a wide umbrella that covers safety in general.                                               |
| 2.  | ESSAY |    | What reforms are necessary in the City Council's committee rules and structure?<br>I cannot determine what reforms are necessary at this time.                                                                                                   |
| 3.  | x     |    | Would you give the Inspector General's office independent subpoena power or other compulsory process that can be directed against city officials, agencies and employees without necessitation the approval of the Mayor or Corporation Counsel? |
| 4.  | x     |    | Should the Inspector General be able to initiate his or her own investigations of Aldermen without a complaint from outside the office?                                                                                                          |
| 5.  |       | x  | Should the Inspector General be able to pursue anonymous complaints?                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 6.  |       | x  | Do you support patronage in hiring and promoting public employees?                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 7.  |       | x  | Will you employ or have you employed staff, in your office who hold other public sector jobs concurrently?                                                                                                                                       |
| 8.  |       | x  | Will you employ or have you employed staff, in your office who have either outside employment or contracts with entities which do business with the City?                                                                                        |
| 9.  | x     |    | Will you vote for an ordinance mandating that the City contest unemployment claims by former employees who were fired for cause?                                                                                                                 |
| 10. | x     |    | Will you vote for an ordinance forbidding the City to hire or contract the services of anyone previously fired for cause from the City or any other unit of government?                                                                          |
| 11. |       | x  | Will you support an ordinance to reduce the number of wards?                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 12. |       | x  | Have you joined or will you join:                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|     |       | x  | The Paul Douglas Caucus                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|     |       | x  | The Independent Progressive Caucus                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|     |       |    | Both                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 13. |       | X  | Do you support changing the state statute to return to filling aldermanic vacancies by special election, rather than Mayoral appointment?                                                                                                        |
| 14. | x     |    | Will you vote for an ordinance requiring redistricting of the wards to be based on non-partisan criteria and not to benefit any specific individual or political party?                                                                          |
| 15. |       | X  | Will you or have you accepted campaign donations from current or potential suppliers or employees?                                                                                                                                               |
| 16. |       | X  | Will you or have you accepted campaign donations from people or businesses seeking zoning changes in your ward?                                                                                                                                  |
| 17. | x     |    | Do you support public financing of municipal campaigns?                                                                                                                                                                                          |

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|                           | <b>ESSAY</b>      | Private or corporate funding of municipal elections favor incumbents by providing financial support for past, present and future favors provided by municipal elected officials                                                                              |
| 18.                       | <b>ESSAY</b>      | Who are your top 5 contributors and how much has each contributed to your campaign?<br>Virginia Brooks - \$1300, Retired Judge Leslie Elaine South - \$700., Scoop's Hair Mechanics- \$1,000.00, Carl & Bobbie Lewis-\$400, and my personal funds - \$5,000. |
| 19.                       |                   | What changes would you support to the redistricting process? Insuring representation in all wards proportionately of all race and ethnic and nationalistic residents as much as possible. All have different agendas that need to be represented.            |
| <b>REVENUE AND BUDGET</b> |                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 20.                       | x                 | Will you vote to hire independent analysts to conduct a forensic audit of past City spending?                                                                                                                                                                |
|                           |                   | Will you vote for a budget ordinance which would require:                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 21.                       | X                 | public questioning of city department heads concerning their departments' specific budget requests?                                                                                                                                                          |
| 22.                       | X                 | making budget copies available to the public 30 days in advance of hearings?                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 23.                       | X                 | restoring city-wide community group budget hearings several months prior to the publication of the budget, as were held under the Washington and Sawyer administrations?                                                                                     |
| 24.                       | <b>ESSAY</b>      | What additional revenue sources, if any, would you propose?                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 25.                       | X                 | Do you support casino gambling for Chicago?                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 26.                       | X                 | Will you vote to require a citywide referendum before any gambling is instituted in the City?                                                                                                                                                                |
| 27.                       | X                 | Will you vote to roll back Mayoral and Aldermanic salaries to pre-2007 levels?                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 28.                       | X                 | Will you vote for an ordinance limiting future Mayoral and Aldermanic salary increases to the same percentage as the lowest raise for any class of city employees?                                                                                           |
| 29.                       | X                 | Do you agree with the criticism that City government is top heavy with management?                                                                                                                                                                           |
|                           | <b>ESSAY</b>      | Please explain your position.<br>I have not fully examined the present city management flow chart to determine if change is warranted.                                                                                                                       |
| 30.                       | <b>ESSAY</b>      | What measures will you vote for to reform the city pension plan and ensure its solvency?<br>I will sponsor/propose the reducing of the TIF surplus and immediately release the rest to fund the police, fire fighters and teacher pension plan.              |
| 31.                       | <b>ESSAY</b>      | How would you modify (if at all) the benefit and contribution levels and eligibility requirements for public employee pensions?<br>It may become necessary for new hires to contribute more for their pension plan.                                          |
| 32.                       | <b>Choose One</b> | Should discretionary funds for ward services and infrastructure improvements be allocated                                                                                                                                                                    |
|                           |                   | in equal amounts to each ward                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|                           |                   | based on the size of each ward                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|                           | X                 | based on the needs of each ward<br>At present all wards receive the same amount of discretionary funding. Neighborhoods that have maintained their infrastructure will have remaining funds to complete optional repairs that further enhance their wards.   |
|                           | <b>YES</b>        | <b>NO</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 33.                       | X                 | Will you institute participatory budgeting to allow ward residents to vote on discretionary spending in your ward?                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>PRIVATIZATION</b>      |                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 34.                       | <b>ESSAY</b>      | Which city services or assets, if any, do you believe should be privatized and what is your criteria?<br>Unless an exhaustive study is conducted to show where privatization of city service will benefit                                                    |

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|                                                   |              | the city 20, 30 or even 50 years down the road, I am against any privatization of any more city services.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 35.                                               | x            | Will you vote for an ordinance requiring an independent analysis of any lease or outsourcing arrangement?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 36.                                               | X            | Will you vote for an ordinance requiring detailed analysis and evaluation of any lease or outsourcing arrangement at least 30 days prior to the City Council vote?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 37.                                               | <b>ESSAY</b> | Before voting on privatization contracts, what will you do to ensure that they deliver the maximum return and best service for city residents in the long term?<br>I would depend on the decision of an independent review board, review their conclusions and possibly demand a second opinion before voting on privatization.                                                                                                |
| 38.                                               | <b>ESSAY</b> | What procedures will you implement to ensure that privatization arrangements are not being used to move patronage workers outside of the scope of the Rutan decision requirements or any other anti-patronage rules or protocols?<br>If necessary, request another "Shakman" style of watch dog investigator to insure city government is not violating the Rutan decision as well as the Shakman decree.                      |
| <b>PLANNING, ZONING, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</b> |              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 39.                                               | <b>ESSAY</b> | How will you involve ward residents in planning?<br>I plan to hold a yearly budget meeting on discretionary funds with as many constituents as possible. I will have several meetings so that if one cannot attend one, several more will be available for them to attend. I will conduct an unofficial poll on the constituent's priorities.                                                                                  |
| 40.                                               | <b>ESSAY</b> | What is your long-range plan for development of the ward?<br>I would like to partner with several sports, entertainment and business figures to create a funding pool to provide capital for minority and ward residents to establish "ma & pa" stores, franchises and other businesses. I would plan to see my ward become a mecca of minority businesses.                                                                    |
| 41.                                               | <b>ESSAY</b> | What criteria do you or will you use in determining whether or not to grant a zoning change or variance?<br>I would limit like businesses to prevent over saturation of similar businesses as well as an over saturation of so called store front churches.                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 42.                                               | <b>ESSAY</b> | How will you involve residents in planning, approval, and oversight of TIF districts?<br>While having my yearly constituent meeting, I will also explain the TIF funding process. I hosted Tom Tresser from the TIF illumination Project to inform and educate residents of the 21 <sup>st</sup> ward. I will continue to hold informational workshops in order to keep residents informed on helping to make these decisions. |
| 43.                                               | x            | Will you vote to terminate a TIF if the objectives of the TIF plan have been accomplished before the 23 year period is ended?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 44.                                               | x            | Will you vote to return unspent and uncommitted TIF funds on an annual basis to the various taxing bodies?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 45.                                               | <b>ESSAY</b> | How do you propose to replace property tax revenue for CPS and other taxing bodies that is lost to TIF development?<br>I plan to vigorously lobby to change present TIF laws to reduce the cap on surplus TIF funds and return the excess to additional funding of CPS as well as CPS, Chicago Fire and Police Department pension funding.                                                                                     |
| 46.                                               | x            | Will you support a moratorium on creation of any new TIF districts until new funding sources are identified to replace the revenue diverted to the TIF?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 47.                                               | X            | Will you vote for an ordinance requiring that large corporate entities receiving \$250,000 or more in public subsidies, and their tenants, must pay their workers a living wage (currently \$11/hour)?                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 48.                                               | X            | Will you vote to invest substantially more in job-training and the creation of transitional job programs in disadvantaged communities, including the formerly incarcerated, homeless, youth,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

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|                  |                   |           | and non-English speakers?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>HOUSING</b>   |                   |           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 49.              | X                 |           | Will you vote to amend the Vacant Properties Ordinance to require mortgage servicers to register their properties?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 50.              | X                 |           | Do you support enacting an ordinance to preserve Single-Room Occupancy housing?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 51.              | X                 |           | Will you vote for an inclusionary zoning ordinance requiring developers to set aside 30% of residential new construction or renovation for the creation of affordable housing?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 52.              | <b>ESSAY</b>      |           | <p>What measures will you support to guarantee that some of the foreclosed properties saved through the Neighborhood Stabilization Program are made affordable to families at 40% and 60% of AMI?</p> <p>I will support and introduce ordinances designed to obtain federal assistance through the city to buy or subsidize abandoned or buildings in foreclosure.</p>                                                                                                                      |
| 53.              | <b>ESSAY</b>      |           | <p>What procedures and safeguards would you put in place on conversion/demolition of SRO's and other low income housing to ensure that affordable housing will continue to be available for low income tenants who would otherwise be displaced?</p> <p>SRO should not be disposed of or left abandoned or otherwise vacated without the city, state or federal government intervening and keeping the building open and intact to prevent the present boarders from becoming homeless.</p> |
| 54.              | <b>ESSAY</b>      |           | <p>What measures will you support to ensure that there is an adequate supply of affordable family sized units available to families in the Section 8 program?</p> <p>I would petition the federal government to purchase and manage abandoned houses.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 55.              | <b>ESSAY</b>      |           | <p>What measures will you support to provide affordable housing for low-income individuals and families who are not served by any existing programs?</p> <p>I would petition the federal government to purchase and manage abandoned housing. I would also encourage families to apply for section 8 housing.</p>                                                                                                                                                                           |
|                  | <b>YES</b>        | <b>NO</b> | Do you support any of the following to be built in your ward?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 56.              | x                 |           | low income rental housing that is affordable to those at 15% to 30% of AMI?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 57.              | x                 |           | supportive housing for people overcoming addiction and other problems which contribute to homelessness?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 58.              | X                 |           | shelters for the homeless?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 59.              | X                 |           | Do you favor a moratorium on the conversion or demolition of SRO's pending the development of protections and remedies to protect the displaced tenants from becoming homeless?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 60.              |                   | X         | Do you support allowing the demolition of existing public housing units without new or rehabilitated replacement housing on a one-for-one basis?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 61.              | <b>Choose One</b> |           | Which standard should the City use to define affordable housing?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                  |                   |           | AMI of the Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|                  | x                 |           | AMI of Cook County                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|                  |                   |           | AMI of Chicago                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|                  |                   |           | AMI of the Community Area                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>EDUCATION</b> |                   |           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 62.              | <b>Choose One</b> |           | Which of the following options for choosing the School Board do you support?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|                  | X                 |           | Popular Election                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                  |                   |           | Mayoral appointment from nominations made by community representatives                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|                  |                   |           | Maintaining the current system of Mayoral appointment                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|                  |                   |           | A mix of elected and appointed members                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|                  | <b>YES</b>        | <b>NO</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

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| 63.                   | x                                |   | Will you support a city-wide lottery for enrollment in magnet schools?                                                                                                                                                      |
| 64.                   | X                                |   | Will you support LSCs in maintaining full powers, and support them through adequate funding levels that provide training and support for LSCs to do their jobs?                                                             |
| 65.                   | X                                |   | Will you support a moratorium on school closings until a detailed analysis of the impacts of shuffling children is completed, and a real plan to address the quality of education and safety for every child is in place?   |
| 66.                   | X                                |   | Will you support development and implementation of a more comprehensive and accurate approach to evaluate student and teacher performance than reliance on the SAT and ACT tests?                                           |
| 67.                   |                                  | x | Would you favor repealing (or modifying) the 70% requirement for voting to authorize teacher strikes?                                                                                                                       |
| 68.                   | <b>ESSAY</b>                     |   | What is your assessment of Renaissance 2010 and its implementation in your ward as well as the City as a whole? Please include in your assessment the role of charter schools as well as the power to reconstitute schools. |
| 69.                   | <b>ESSAY</b>                     |   | What should the City do to improve the quality of all local schools?<br>The city should cease the funding of charter schools and concentrate funding of CPS programs                                                        |
| 70.                   | <b>ESSAY</b>                     |   | What are your plans to improve the local schools in your ward?<br>I intend to solicit all businesses in the ward to support by adopting a school of their choice and contribute funds for special programs at that school.  |
| 71.                   | <b>ESSAY</b>                     |   | How would you modify (if at all) the benefit and contribution levels and eligibility requirements for public school teacher pension?<br>Would not modify at the present time.                                               |
| <b>ENVIRONMENT</b>    |                                  |   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 72.                   | x                                |   | Will you vote for the Clean Power Ordinance?                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 73.                   |                                  | x | Will you vote to privatize Chicago's water delivery system?                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 74.                   | X                                |   | Will you vote to ban Styrofoam food containers in Chicago public schools?                                                                                                                                                   |
| 75.                   | X                                |   | Will you vote to ban Styrofoam food containers in Chicago restaurants and food delivery services?                                                                                                                           |
| 76.                   | X                                |   | Will you vote to adopt the water quality standards recommended by the Pollution Control Board?                                                                                                                              |
| 77.                   | <b>ESSAY</b>                     |   | What should the City do to encourage and implement alternative forms of energy?<br>The city should invest in companies that are active in and or promoting alternative energy.                                              |
| 78.                   | <b>ESSAY</b>                     |   | What other environmental initiatives, if any, do you propose?<br>I think we should increase our program of residential recycling efforts.                                                                                   |
| <b>PARKS</b>          |                                  |   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 79.                   | x                                |   | Do you support election of the Chicago Park District Board?                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 80.                   |                                  | x | Do you support increased privatization of park facilities and services?                                                                                                                                                     |
|                       | <b>ESSAY</b>                     |   | Why or why not?<br>I do not support any more privatization of city services.                                                                                                                                                |
| 81.                   | x                                |   | Do you support prioritization of land acquisition and capital improvements first to those neighborhoods which are underserved by existing facilities?                                                                       |
| <b>TRANSPORTATION</b> |                                  |   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 82.                   |                                  | x | Will you vote to increase the City subsidy to the CTA?                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 83.                   | <b>Rank 1-5 or say no to any</b> |   | Please indicate which CTA expansion plans, if any, you support and rank them in order of priority (1 highest)                                                                                                               |
|                       |                                  | 1 | Red Line south to 130th Street                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|                       |                                  | 2 | Orange Line to Ford City Mall                                                                                                                                                                                               |

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|                         |              |           | Downtown Circulator                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|                         |              | 3         | Downtown-O'Hare Express                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|                         |              |           | Other – please specify                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|                         | <b>YES</b>   | <b>NO</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>84.</b>              | X            |           | Do you support renegotiation of Chicago's parking meter privatization deal?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>85.</b>              |              | x         | Do you support privatization of Midway Airport?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>86.</b>              |              | x         | Do you support the O'Hare expansion plan?<br>I think this money would be better spent by adding a third airport or a Gary-Chicago airport.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>CRIMINAL JUSTICE</b> |              |           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>87.</b>              | x            |           | Is 911 response time adequate?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|                         | <b>ESSAY</b> |           | If not, how can it be improved?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>88.</b>              |              | x         | Are there inequities in 911 service in your ward?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|                         | <b>ESSAY</b> |           | If so, what can be done to redress them?<br>I really don't know due to not having any data on comparison to other wards                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>89.</b>              | x            |           | Do you support re-allocating police services from low-crime to high-crime neighborhoods?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>90.</b>              | <b>ESSAY</b> |           | What changes, if any, would you suggest for the CAPS program?<br>I attend CAPS meetings and programs and I think they are adequate.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>91.</b>              | x            |           | Will you vote for more funding for alternative crime prevention programs such as Cease Fire?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>92.</b>              | <b>ESSAY</b> |           | What measures will you support to stop the schools to prison pipeline?<br>I would use innovative programs to keep children's interest in staying in school, urge parents to be more involved in their children's education.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>93.</b>              | X            |           | Do you support gun control?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>94.</b>              | <b>ESSAY</b> |           | What measures, if any, should the City Council adopt in response to recent court decisions striking down Chicago's handgun ban?<br>I believe we should continue to explore ways to keep handguns out of the hands of would be criminals especially the use of background information of potential guy buyers as well as better tracking of guns through their serial numbers                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>95.</b>              | X            |           | Will you vote to order the City to stop paying legal fees and attempt to recover past legal costs of city employees implicated in the Police Board findings of misconduct related to the Burge case?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>96.</b>              | <b>ESSAY</b> |           | Please share your views regarding the functioning of the Independent Police Review Authority and whether it should operate more independently of the Police Department.<br>The idea of a police review authority being dependent on the police department invites a hint of favoritism due to prior working relationships, knowledge of family members both past and present and a natural tendency to cover a fellow officer. I believe that the board should operate more independently of the Police department. |
| <b>CIVIL RIGHTS</b>     |              |           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>97.</b>              |              |           | Do you support affirmative action based on race, gender and sexual orientation in establishing criteria for hiring and promoting public employees?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>98.</b>              | x            |           | Do you support affirmative action as a criteria in letting city contracts?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>99.</b>              | <b>ESSAY</b> |           | Please comment on current participation of individuals with disabilities in city hiring and contracts. People with disabilities should not be hindered from obtaining employment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>100.</b>             | <b>ESSAY</b> |           | Please comment on current women and minority participation in city hiring and contracts. Be sure your comments include firefighter and police officer recruitment and promotion.<br>All city hiring should be fair and above board. City hiring, including police firefighting and contracting should be in proportion to the minority make-up of the city, women included.                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>101.</b>             | x            |           | Do you favor restructuring the wage scale of city employees to institute gender-equal pay for jobs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

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|                              |              | of comparable worth?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 102.                         | x            | Will you vote to require all City vendors and contractors to provide spousal benefits for same-sex partners of their employees?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 103.                         | x            | Will you vote for the Municipal ID ordinance?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|                              | <b>ESSAY</b> | All city residents should be identified.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>ALDERMANIC PRIORITIES</b> |              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 104.                         | <b>ESSAY</b> | What employment, if any, other than alderman, do you intend to hold?<br>For me, being an alderman is a full time job and will be treated as such.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 105.                         | <b>ESSAY</b> | How will you divide your time between your aldermanic duties and your other occupation?<br>I am retired so I will not have to divide my time.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 106.                         | <b>ESSAY</b> | Please specify the minimum hours per week you will spend performing your aldermanic duties.<br>Aldermanic duties cannot be measured in hours per week – however many it takes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 107.                         | <b>ESSAY</b> | Please describe your service office staffing plan, including the number of staff, full and part time, how you will pay for them, and the number of hours per week that your service office will be open.<br>I will have a paid chief of staff and office manager. I also intend to have a senior advocate, community advisory committee and precinct captains for each precinct- expenses paid only. I will utilize unpaid interns from within the ward along with other volunteer committees. I will have constituents night twice a week- from 4pm-8pm. |
| 108.                         | <b>ESSAY</b> | What services need improvement in your ward? How will you achieve this?<br>We need to improve sewer services, quick repair of street lights, illegal dumping behind abandoned homes, and boarding up of abandoned buildings. I intend to petition city service heads to cooperate with my request and lead protest march to city hall if no services are received.                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 109.                         | <b>ESSAY</b> | What are your top priorities for the Ward?<br>My top priorities for the ward are jobs, reduction of crime, education and senior citizen issues, which is one of my priorities.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 110.                         | <b>ESSAY</b> | How will you work with community groups and residents on City matters?<br>I will reestablish the role of precinct captains along with a 21 <sup>st</sup> ward advisory council to get news out and to always have someone accessible to my constituents.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |



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## Chicago Federation of Labor

### Personal & Professional Information

Alderman

My husband and I (Stephen) have resided in the Washington Heights community for thirty-one (31) years; raised two daughters in this community.

I was a member of the WVON radio station family for over 16 years during which time my initial duties included enhancing my knowledge of managing budgetary issues, organizational skills and creating activities that related to community issues, concerns and needs. My natural ability to relate to the needs of others plus my knowledge of fundraising and budgetary issues enabled me to secure funding, and apply this funding toward historical events often overlooked by others. In fact, one event that I was instrumental in establishing and nurturing is the Juneteenth Celebration – an event commemorating the abolishment of slavery. It was because of my efforts that both the State of Illinois and the City of Chicago issued official resolutions acknowledging the observance. I am also an effective communications specialist, nurturing relationships with those who are also focused on not only educating but providing entertainment outlets for community residents. A gifted events planner, I have worked closely with the Chicago Park District to bring concerts and exhibits to the African American community. I provided seniors with information on programs and services beneficial to comfortable lifestyles that many, otherwise would not have known existed. I have worked diligently identifying and creating activities that this group would find stimulating. I am also focused on the younger residents, especially those who are in need of assistance. Recently through a new venture in which I am a partner, Scoop's Hair Mechanics hosted a back to school fair which provided free haircuts, refreshments and much needed school supplies to inner city youth.

Doris Lewis Brooks

### Experience

2006-2012

Little Brothers-friends of the Elderly

Chicago, IL

Program Coordinator

2005-2006

State of Illinois-Department of Children & Family Services (contractor)

Chicago, IL

Assistant Coordinator for Committees and Councils

Midway Broadcasting Company

WVON Radio

Chicago, IL

Accounts Receivable

Special Events Coordinator