CANDIDATE STATEMENT REQUIREMENTS & OPTIONS

California Elections Code:

- Cal. Elec. Code §13307 dictates that statements shall be a brief description that expresses the candidate's education and qualifications, and shall not include party affiliation of the candidate, nor membership or activity in partisan political organizations.
- Cal. Elec. Code §13308 requires that statements shall be limited to a recitation of the candidate's own personal background and qualifications.
- Cal. Elec. Code §13313 allows for a ten day public examination period of all statements immediately following the candidate filing deadline. During this period, the Elections Official, or any voter of the jurisdiction, may seek a writ of mandate or an injunction requiring any or all of the material in the candidate statements to be amended or deleted.

Elections Office Policy:

- A candidate's background may include details regarding the candidate's platform, which describes what they stand for and what they intend to do if they are elected.
- If a statement is determined to not be in compliance with the California Elections Code, the Elections Office may strike any language not in compliance, may not print or circulate the statement, or may seek a writ of mandate or an injunction requiring that the candidate statement be amended or deleted.
- Candidates shall be fully responsible for ensuring that all spelling, punctuation, and grammar is correct. The Elections Office is not responsible for correcting spelling, punctuation, and grammatical errors.
- Any named individual or specific organization listed as an endorsement in a statement must be verified as endorsing the candidate before printing in the *Voter Information Guide*.

Candidates Statement Size & Format:

- Candidates for Local Offices are limited to **200 words**.
- Candidates for U.S. Representative in Congress, State Senator and Member of the State Assembly are limited to **250 words**.
- Regardless of the word count limitation, statements must fit inside a half page square in the *Voter Information Guide* measuring 4.75" wide by 3.25" tall. The template below is the actual size allowed for each statement.
- Statements shall be typed in upper and lower case letters when appropriate and not all capital letters.
- Statements shall be free from non-standard or atypical spacing, and not contain any *italicized* or **bolded** letters.
- Statements will be printed in 8 point Arial font.
- Translations of occupations may be reformatted due to space limitations.

Candidate Initial:_____

Candidate Statement Submittal: At the time of filing, an electronic copy of the fillable template can be provided to the Elections Office on USB or via email to communications@sbcountyelections.com.

NAME: DEBRA "DEBBIE" STONE **AGE:** 59
OCCUPATION: Funerals / Councimember

During my service on the City Council I have worked hard to ensure that I always work in the best interest of our entire community. Sometimes this means making decisions I don't necessarily like or that might not make me the most popular person in town, but are the right things to do for our community as a whole. I have served without questions of my integrity or motives.

Making our city economically stable and sustainable is my most important priority. Maintaining our Public Safety services and other vital Public Services is critically important. I will work to ensure that our city remains safe and properly maintained while operating within our economic reality.

I have lived in Upland since 1979, raising my daughter here, and am proud to be a part of a family with a long history of public service to Upland. My work over the past 30 years has prepared me to deal with difficult situations when emotions run high and opinions differ.

I will always represent the citizens of Upland honestly, and act at all times in the best interest of our entire community as your Mayor. I am Your Voice in City Leadership.

Learn more: www.debbiestoneforupland.com

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Word Count: 200

I attest that the accompanying candidate statement is my original and will be printed in the *Voter Information Guide* as it appears on the template.

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Signature of Candidate