## **VOTER'S PAMPHLET**

## LOCAL NONPARTISAN CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS

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## Statement of MICHAEL WEATHERFORD, Candidate for Director

Aptos/La Selva Fire Protection District

Occupation: Healthcare Finance

Age: 50

This past summer, our firefighters were well prepared to quickly respond to the fires that impacted our county. This level of service is an important resource, utilizing some of the newest equipment and best trained personnel in the region. During my 8 years on the board, we have

Retrofit all 3 stations to serve our community in the event of an earthquake

Purchased new engines and equipment to support the rural areas

Grown our district through annexation, which brings greater efficiency

Recruited the best firefighters and paramedics in the region

Added surf rescue

Retained reasonable financial reserves to meet future needs

Exceeded our internal standards to respond to your calls on a timely basis

Been a leader in fire code development and regional emergency medical service

Our fire service stands ready to support the future safety of the community with efficiency and compassion. I would appreciate your support as we address some important challenges over the next 4 years, which will include retirements, less predictable financial resources, and regional disaster planning for the next fire or earthquake. Thanks for your vote.

Statement of CHUCK ANDERSON, Candidate for Director Aptos/La Selva Fire Protection District

Occupation: Appointed Incumbent

I work diligently to ensure that you receive excellent fire protection, rescue and medical services while we squeeze maximum value from your tax dollar. During my tenure, the district has accomplished much, including:

Purchase of two new fire engines and a rescue unit and refurbishment of the water tender, all without resorting to debt financing.

Completing seismic retrofits of our fire stations so that your firefighters can respond following earthquakes.

Scheduling early payoff of a large retirement plan debt, which will free funds for other pressing uses.

Publication of a newsletter that increases your awareness of fire safety and district

The district is challenged by uncertain economic times, budget pressures and impending retirement of veteran personnel. Moreover, the need for fire protection, rescue and medical services is greater than ever.

Since the fire board represents *your* interests and concerns, it's crucial to have civilians on the board along with former firefighters, whose expertise is also valuable. I'm a civilian who knows the fire service as a career newspaper reporter-editor and fire technology student at Cabrillo College. I also have more than 20 years of management experience.

To continue leading the district into the future, I would appreciate your vote.

## Statement of CLAUDIA DE MARANVILLE, Candidate for Director Aptos/La Selva Fire Protection District

Occupation: Insurance Agency Owner

Age: 41

I have been active in the Aptos Community as a home owner. Insurance Agency Owner, and community volunteer for the past 9 years. My interest is to promote fire safety and serve my customers and the community to the best of my ability.

I bring over 18 years of non profit experience serving as a past director of 6 years and the past chair for the Santa Cruz Red Cross, past director of the Aptos Chamber of Commerce, the Community Association Institute, many other homeowner association boards. I am also a past member of Rotary as well as other business organizations. I have both a professional background from owning my own businesses, as well as the experience of being an effective Board Member that can negotiate the interests of all parties involved and creating a well run non profit organization.

I have a particular interest in the safety of my family and community and will welcome this opportunity to serve you.

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