## **VOTER'S PAMPHLET**

## LOCAL NONPARTISAN CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS

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Statement of **ED WILKE**, Candidate for Director

Ben Lomond Fire Protection District

Occupation: Equipment Engineer/Manager

Aae: 54

With 29 years in the Semiconductor industry , managing technicians and performing Fab installations has taught me to find cost effective ways to plan and complete multi-million dollar projects, and to clearly communicate costs, timelines and objectives to all those involved. I also learned to listen to input from others, not only from my bosses, but also from those on the work line …the best ideas can come from anywhere.

My Creditionals include:

Attended FSU and U of Fla., AS degree from FJC.

4 years U.S. Navy - ASW Technician. Honorable Discharge.

Homeowner

In addition, I have served as a SLV Girls Softball coach, Board member and President, and am currently a SLV Community Band member, which supports Music Program at our schools.

I would like to serve as your Fire District Commissioner, to keep our district on a sound financial footing, while providing cost effective quality training, service and equipment for the community. Your vote will be appreciated.

Statement of **LISA M. HILL**, Candidate for Director
Ben Lomond Fire Protection District

Occupation: Business Owner

Age: 45

I was born and raised in Ben Lomond and, have been a part of the Ben Lomond Fire Department for over 27 years as an employee, volunteer and fundraiser, and have a deep appreciation of the Volunteer Fire Service. The recent "Measure S" proposal has brought up many concerns that I have with the current board and I believe that it is time for a positive change within the Fire District Board of Directors.

My credentials include:

Graduate of San Lorenzo Valley high school, Homeowner, and local business owner since 1989, I am married and parent of 3. I worked at the Ben Lomond Fire Protection District as Administrative Assistant for three years. I have served in the following clubs and organizations: Ben Lomond Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary, SLV Little League, SLV Athletic Boosters Club, San Lorenzo Valley Unified School District site councils and parent clubs.

If elected to this office, I will do my best to serve the Ben Lomond community's interest with honesty, integrity and common sense.

## Statement of **MICHAEL AYERS**, Candidate for Director Ben Lomond Fire Protection District

Occupation: Battalion Chief Age: 45

The major function of a fire district Board of Directors is to serve as the policy making body of that district, to govern the activities and shape the future of the fire district. Such policy will address and include the fiduciary duties of the Board to both the district and the residents within the district boundaries. I bring to this office practical experience of both authoring and working within fire district policies, establishing and working within the line item budget process, working within federal, state and local laws. I have been involved in seismic retrofit of two fire stations with no additional cost impact to the community served.

My credentials include:

Graduate of local schools, AS candidate in Fire Protection Administration; Battalion Chief, Tiburon Fire Protection District; Married and parent of 4; Homeowner. I am a certified Fire Service Instructor with the State of California.

If elected to this office, I will do my best to serve in a leadership role for our community.

Statement of **BIFF BELTZ**, Candidate for Director

Ben Lomond Fire Protection District

Occupation: Fire Captain

**Age:** 54

I bring to the Fire Board 26 years of experience as both a professional Fire Officer in the City of Fremont and volunteer Fire Officer for Ben Lomond Fire District, 5 of those years as a Board Director for Ben Lomond. During my service to the Ben Lomond Fire District I:

Implemented open public Board meetings

 ${\it Established a Governing Board Policy Manual based on Ca. Special Districts standards}$ 

Stopped illegal Board appointments to vacant seats

Co-chaired the implementation of a 5 member Board from 3, allowing more public participation in Governing Board decisions

Developed a fire and life safety inspection program to assist businesses and residents with fire safety

As a Fire Officer, spent countless hours training our volunteers in the latest techniques of fire fighting and rescue

Maintained 24 years of dedicated service to the residents of Ben Lomond

As my past history reflects I am dedicated to the service of the Ben Lomond Fire District and will maintain an open and participative process for all residents in District business.

Thank you.

Santa Cruz County