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Office Sought (New York State) **Assembly**

District Number 68

In which primary **Democratic**

What party line/s are you running under? Democrat

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Previous Offices, Campaigns and Community/Civic Involvement State Committeewoman 68th AD
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Have you completed the required campaign finance filings?

Are you participating in the State Public Campaign Finance Program?

Are you willing to be interviewed by Citizens Union's Local Candidates Committee?

Signature



What are your top three campaign promises or goals, and what action will you take to achieve them if elected?

First: Protecting our Affordable housing (public housing, co-ops and homeowners)

Second: Fairshare of Safe Consumption Sites and Open-Air Drug Use

Third: Education and After-school programs for Pre-K to High School

If elected, what is the first piece of legislation you would want to introduce? If you are an incumbent, what legislation have you passed which you are most proud of?

I have several pieces of legislation I would like to introduce; some have been in without a voice from our district, such as the following bills, A06910, that will ensure each community has access to treatment centers, A.6969 this will prevent toxic ingredients in personal care and cosmetic products. A.4820 that will help our community know about lead paint in their home.

In providing constituent services, what are the major needs of your district's

Affordable Housing: The rising cost of housing is a significant issue for many constituents, particularly low-income families and individuals.

I am committed to working on initiatives to increase affordable housing

constituents and how will you meet them?

options, strengthen tenant protections, and support programs that assist residents in securing stable housing.

Quality Education: Parents and community members are concerned about the quality of education in our district, including access to resources, teacher retention, and school safety.

I will prioritize education funding, support initiatives to improve school facilities, and work with local stakeholders to address concerns related to curriculum and student well-being.

Job Opportunities and Economic Development: Creating and retaining local jobs, supporting small businesses, and fostering economic growth are important priorities for constituents.

I will work to attract new businesses, support workforce development programs, and advocate for policies that promote economic prosperity and job creation in our district.

Public Safety: Ensuring the safety and security of our neighborhoods is a top concern for many residents.

I will collaborate with law enforcement agencies, support community policing efforts, and advocate for resources to address crime prevention and intervention programs.

What experience have you had, if any, with good government and reform issues? (e.g. voting and elections, campaign finance, ethics, government transparency and oversight, police accountability). If you've worked to advance these goals, we'd love to hear about it.

As the State Committeewoman, I have been actively involved in advocating for good government and reform issues, particularly in areas such as government transparency, education, housing, healthcare, and environmental justice. Here are some examples of my work in advancing these goals:

Transparency and Oversight: I championed a rule change within the State Committee to ensure that all resolutions passed by the committee are published on the New York Democrats Website. This initiative promotes transparency and allows constituents to stay informed about the actions and priorities of the party.

Education Reform: I played a key role in advocating for an LGBTQIA+ inclusive curriculum for New York schools. By passing this resolution, we aimed to promote diversity and inclusivity in education, ensuring that all students feel represented and valued.

Housing and Tenant Protections: I actively supported a resolution on housing and tenant protections, highlighting the importance of affordable housing and advocating for policies to safeguard tenants' rights. This resolution underscores our commitment to addressing the housing crisis and protecting vulnerable communities.

Mental Health and Substance Abuse Support: Recognizing the urgent need for mental health and substance abuse support, I helped pass a resolution on this issue within the State Democratic Committee. This resolution emphasizes the importance of access to resources and services for individuals struggling with mental health challenges and substance abuse.

Climate Justice and Green Renewal: I advocated for a resolution calling for climate justice and green renewal, highlighting the imperative of addressing climate change and promoting environmental sustainability. This resolution reflects our commitment to combating climate change and building a more resilient and sustainable future for all.

Through my involvement in these initiatives and resolutions, I have demonstrated a dedication to promoting good government practices, advocating for social justice, and advancing progressive values. I am committed to continuing this work and finding innovative solutions to the pressing challenges facing our communities.

How long have you lived in the district in which you are running?

15 years

1. Do you support moving city elections from odd-numbered

Yes

years to even-numbered years, and will you vote in favor of legislation that enacts that change?

2. Do you support restarting the constitutional amendment process to enact same-day voter registration in New York?

Yes

3. Do you support improving voter participation in CUNY and SUNY colleges by requiring schools to develop and implement a student voter engagement action plan?

Yes

4. Do you support reducing the party-based hiring in boards of elections to the minimum currently required by the constitution?

Yes

5. Do you support implementing an open, competitive, merit-based hiring process for all election administration staff and certain functions at polls?

Yes

6. Do you support requiring election commissioners and top BOE staff undergo mandatory training developed by the State Board of Elections?

Yes

7. How would you use your power as a legislator to improve election administration in New York? Feel free to add any policy proposals you support in regards to reforming the BOE.

Modernizing Voter Registration: I would advocate for policies to modernize voter registration processes, including automatic voter registration, same-day registration, and online voter registration. These reforms would make it easier for eligible citizens to register to vote and participate in elections.

Expanding Access to Early and Absentee Voting: I would work to expand access to early voting and absentee voting, including ensuring sufficient polling locations and hours, particularly in underserved communities. This would provide voters with more flexibility and convenience in casting their ballots.

Enhancing Election Security: I would support measures to enhance election security, such as implementing robust cybersecurity protocols, conducting regular risk assessments, and ensuring the integrity of voting systems and equipment. Additionally, I would advocate for increased funding for election security measures at the state and local levels.

Promoting Voter Education and Outreach: I would prioritize voter education and outreach efforts to ensure that all citizens are informed about their voting rights, registration deadlines, and the voting process itself. This would include targeted outreach to communities with historically low voter turnout rates and providing multilingual resources to non-English speaking voters.

Reforming the Board of Elections: In regards to reforming the Board of Elections (BOE), I would support measures to increase transparency, accountability, and efficiency within the BOE. This could include implementing stricter ethics and conflict-of-interest policies for board members, establishing clear performance metrics and benchmarks for the BOE's operations, and enhancing public access to BOE meetings and records.

If needed, you may elaborate below on your positions on the previous questions.

8. Will you support fully

funding new state public campaign finance program in the upcoming budget process?

Yes

9. Do you commit to opposing any attempt to undermine the State Public Campaign Finance Program by changing its rules to benefit large donors?

Yes

10. Do you support requiring campaigns to disclose a contributor's employer in campaign finance reports, as is done in NYC?

Yes

If needed, you may elaborate below on your positions on the previous questions. You may also provide additional information on any actions that you have taken or plan to take to advance your positions on these issues.

11. Who do you think should draw new district maps every decade in New York? (e.g., the current Independent Redistricting Commission, the Legislature/LATFOR, a new body)

In my opinion, the responsibility of drawing new district maps every decade in New York should rest with an independent redistricting commission. While the Legislature/LATFOR (Legislative Task Force on Demographic Research and Reapportionment) has traditionally been involved in the redistricting process, there are inherent conflicts of interest when lawmakers are tasked with drawing their own district boundaries.

An independent redistricting commission, composed of non-partisan or bipartisan members representing diverse stakeholders, would help ensure that district maps are drawn fairly and without political bias. This would help prevent gerrymandering and promote electoral districts that accurately reflect the demographic and geographic diversity of New York State.

By entrusting the redistricting process to an independent commission, we can promote transparency, accountability, and public trust in the integrity of our electoral system. This approach aligns with democratic principles and helps safeguard the integrity of our elections.

12. Do you support changing the constitutional redistricting process to reduce the influence of legislators over map-making process, make the redistricting commission less partisan and more diverse, and eliminate the Legislature's veto power over final maps?

Yes

If needed, you may elaborate below on your positions on the previous questions. You may also provide additional information on any actions that you have taken or plan to take to advance your positions on these issues.

13. Do you support establishing an independent ethics agency with commissioners not chosen by the elected officials they oversee, which would have oversight powers over the executive and the legislature (also replaces the Legislative Ethics Commission)?

Yes

14. Do you support requiring lobbyists to report their

Yes

contributions and fundraising activity?

If needed, you may elaborate below on your positions on the previous questions. You may also provide additional information on any actions that you have taken or plan to take to advance your positions on ethics issues.

15. Do you support giving the New York City Civilian Complaint Review Board access to certain sealed and confidential records in matters involving potential police discipline?

Yes

16. Do you support transferring disciplinary hearings involving police officers from the NYPD to the Office of Administrative Trials and Hearings (OATH)?

Yes

If needed, you may elaborate below on your positions on the previous questions.

17. Do you support maintaining the Commission on Judicial Nomination, which recommends candidates for the Court of Appeals to the Governor?

Yes

If needed, you may elaborate below on your positions on the previous questions. You may also provide additional information on any actions that you have taken or plan to take to advance your positions on these issues.

What is your win number (the number of votes needed to win this race), and what is your plan to achieve that number?

What are your current fundraising numbers? What are your fundraising goals?

2,017 and my goal is to have \$5,000

How many individual donors do you have?

35

Please indicate any endorsements that your campaign has received, if applicable (you can also share a link to a list of endorsements)

LPAC
EHCFGG

Please feel free to attach any additional information such as resume, campaign brochures, or issues statements.



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What else would you like us to know about yourself?

Hello, I'm Tamika. I've had the honor of serving my country as a veteran, and being a mom has been one of the greatest joys of my life. As a Girl Scout leader, I'm passionate about guiding young girls to discover their potential and make a positive impact in their communities.

But beyond my roles as a veteran and mother, I have a few other passions. Crocheting is one of my favorite hobbies—I love creating intricate patterns and infusing each creation with warmth and beauty. I also find solace and joy in nature, whether it's tending to my beloved garden or escaping to the tranquility of the great outdoors for camping adventures.

My life is filled with love, laughter, and a deep sense of purpose. I strive to embody resilience, compassion, and kindness in everything I do, and I hope to inspire others to do the same.

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