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Dear Fellow Republican,

Unfortunately, there is no Republican nominee in your House District 46 race. Perhaps that is because it is thought to be too heavily Democrat for a Republican to win. Or, perhaps it is because the district has been represented by Carl Trujillo who votes in a moderate to conservative fashion, who asks poignant questions which often infuriated the Progressives and who has been unwilling to be led like a sheep by the Democrat House leadership.

Like many other moderate Democrats, Rep. Trujillo finally became a target of the Progressive machine which is run, at this juncture, by Speaker Brian Egolf. Speaker Egolf is attempting to assemble a veto-proof, Progressive-controlled House. In order to achieve this, Democrats like Rep. Trujillo had to go. If Steve Pearce is elected Governor, and yet Egolf is successful in his attempt to gain a veto-proof House, Pearce's main job, which is to get this state turned around, would become much more difficult.

During the HD-46 primary election, in order to diminish the possibility that Rep. Trujillo would retain his seat, Progressives recruited a Richardson friend, Laura Bonar, to make harassment claims against Rep. Trujillo. Six months later, Ms. Bonar has been unwilling to be deposed under oath or give any discovery of her claims. Rep. Trujillo has been deposed, submitted an affidavit, given all discovery, and passed polygraph test with 99.9% certainty. The unsubstantiated harassment claims, though ridiculous on their face, were nonetheless politically telling.

Trujillo lost his primary race to a Progressive named Andrea Romero. For her part, Romero, as has been detailed in both the Santa Fe New Mexican and the Albuquerque Journal, left behind her a trail of unethical, if not corrupt, acts in her former position at quasi government entity RCLC. Independent audits revealed she had misspent, billed, and was reimbursed \$26,000 taxpayer dollars on expensive dinners, booze, and entertainment tickets. (She subsequently resigned from RCLC.) Egolf nonetheless has supported Romero throughout. He needs the vote!

However, some Democrats revolted. One was Heather Nordquist who launched a 'write-in' campaign against Andrea Romero. A 'write-in' campaign is an extremely difficult political undertaking. Few have been successful, though Joe Skeen became a Republican US Representative via a 'write-in' campaign.

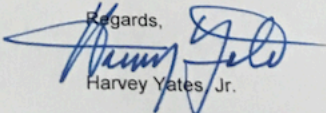
To me Nordquist has these attributes: She appears to be courageous and honest. I believe her to be an economic moderate or conservative, though she is a social liberal. I believe her to be intelligent, and, unlike Romero, she has a real job. She works at the lab.

Republicans likely are in a position to determine who becomes House District 46's next Representative. What should a Republican do? First, please go vote for Steve Pearce, and, while you are voting, I suggest that you consider voting for Heather Nordquist by writing-in her name in on the ballot.

These are the advantages of voting for Nordquist. Your vote may help keep Egolf from obtaining a veto-proof House, and your vote would send a message that you will not tolerate Romero-type unethical practices.

Here's to a better New Mexico!

Regards,

  
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