Get Out the Vote!

Our founding fathers believed that the success of American democracy depended upon the development of an educated citizenry that would vote wisely to protect its rights and freedoms. Ideally, we would all have the ability to thoughtfully research each candidate and ballot measure, but we sometimes have time constraints that prevent us from doing that. For just such situations, I’ve created the following endorsement summary:

**Ballot Measures**

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| KC Prop-1 | Raised | Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) |
| APPROVE | $0 | **Seattle Times**, KC Council, KC Sheriff, KC Muni League |
| REJECT | $0 | **The Stranger** |

**Candidate Endorsements**

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| US Senate  | Raised |  | Endorsements |
| Maria Cantwell (D)\* | $10M |  | **The Stranger**, 5th LD Dems, AFL-CIO, AFSCME, NOW, Emily’s List, Planned Parenthood |
| Susan Hutchison (R) | $543K |  | KC GOP, CAPR (**G**) |
| Don Rivers (D) | $27K |  |  |
| Art Coday (R) | $20K |  | KC GOP, CAPR (**O**) |
| Steve Hoffman (S) | $20K |  |  |
| Jennifer Ferguson (I) | $19K |  |  |
| Dave Bryant (R) | $10K |  | KC GOP |
| Joey Gibson (R) | $8K |  |  |
| Keith Swank (R) | $4K |  | CAPR (**G**) |
| US House  | **Raised** |  | **Endorsements** |
| Dino Rossi (R) | $3M |  | **Seattle Times**, KC GOP, CAPR (**G**), WACOPS, KCPOG, Metro Police & Sheriffs, WA Farm Bureau |
| Kim Schrier (D) | $1.6M |  | 5th LD Dems, WA Young Dems, AFL-CIO, AFSCME, AFT, IAM, Painters, Laborers, Plumbers, NOW, Emily’s List, Planned Parenthood, Humane Voters, Indivisible, Emily’s List, Moms Demand Action |
| Jason Rittereiser (D) | $0.9M |  | **The Stranger**, 5th LD Dems, WA Young Dems, WA Berniecrats, AFL-CIO, AFSCME, IAFF, Carpenters, Plumbers, Environment & Climate Caucus, Indivisible |
| Shannon Hader (D) | $0.8M |  | **Seattle Times**, KC Dems, KC Young Dems, 5th LD Dems, SEAMEC (**5**), NOW, OneAmerica |
| Tom Cramer (D) | $40K |  |  |
| Bill Grassie (I) | $7K |  |  |
| State Rep (Pos. 1) | **Raised** | **ML** | **Endorsements** |
| Chad Magendanz (R) | $82K | **O** | KC GOP, 5th LD GOP, Mainstream Republicans, Log Cabin Republicans, AWB (**92%**), ACU (**68%**), CAPR (**O**), Stop405Tolls (**A+**), SEAMEC (**3**), Seattle/KC Realtors, Affordable Housing Council, AGC, ABC, WSVMA, WSNA, WFIA, WA Farm Bureau, WA Dairy, WA Trucking, WA Hospitality, League of Education Voters, Stand for Children |
| Bill Ramos (D) | $148K | **VG** | KC Dems, 5th LD Dems, Young Dems, AFL-CIO, AFT, WEA, SEIU, IAFF, EFCW, UFCW, WFSE, WSNA, IAM, Teamsters, Carpenters, Painters, RHAWA, Housing Alliance, Snoqualmie Tribe, OneAmerica, Planned Parenthood, NARAL Pro-Choice, Conservation Voters, Alliance for Gun Responsibility, Moms Demand Action |
| State Rep (Pos. 2) | **Raised** | **ML** | **Endorsements** |
| Paul Graves (R)\* | $181K | **O** | **Seattle Times**, KC GOP, 5th LD GOP, Mainstream Republicans, AWB (**80%**), ACU (**55%**), CAPR (**O**), SEAMEC (**2**), WACOPS, Metro Police & Sheriffs, Fire Chiefs, Seattle/KC Realtors, Affordable Housing Council, AGC, ABC, RHAWA, WSVMA, PTWA, WFIA, WA Farm Bureau, WA Dairy, WA Trucking, WA Hospitality, League of Education Voters, Stand for Children, Children’s Campaign Fund |
| Lisa Callan (D) | $97K | **?** | KC Dems, 5th LD Dems, AFL-CIO, AFT, WEA, WFSE, SEIU, UFCW, WSNA, IAM, IBEW, Teamsters, Carpenters, Laborers, Housing Alliance, OneAmerica, NOW, Planned Parenthood, NARAL Pro-Choice, Conservation Voters, Moms Demand Action |
| Ryan Dean Burkett (NP) | $0 | **NQ** |  |
| District Court (NE Pos. 1) | **Raised** | **Bar** | **Endorsements** |
| Marcus Naylor | $8K | **EWQ** | **The Stranger**, KC Dems, 5th LD Dems, AFL-CIO, KC Corrections, Marshals’ Guild |
| Joshua Schaer | $7K | **Q** | 5th LD Dems, Young Dems |
| Mychal Schwartz | $7K | **WQ** | AFL-CIO |

**Ratings**: King County Municipal League (**ML**): Outstanding (**O**), Very Good (**VG**), Good (**G**), Adequate (**A**), Not Qualified (**NQ**) **\***Denotes incumbent
King County Bar (**Bar**): Exceptionally Well Qualified (**EWQ**), Well Qualified (**WQ**), Qualified (**Q**), Not Qualified (**NQ**)Unfunded campaigns filtered

If you haven’t voted yet, I would encourage you to make use of all available resources to complete your ballot and drop it at your local post office or ballot drop box by 6pm on Tuesday, August 7th. If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact me.

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