

Central Brooklyn Independent Democrats: 2024 Federal Candidate Questionnaire

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Please answer each of the following questions to the best of your ability:

1) Why do you seek an endorsement from CBID?

Democracy works best when citizens are engaged and involved, and the members of CBID have been on the forefront of the fight for progressive causes. I'd be honored to have your support as I seek a second term to continue in the fight for the people of NY-10 and for the future of our democracy.

2) If elected, what would be your top legislative priority?

In my first term, I have prioritized defending democracy, common sense gun reform, increasing abortion access, and increasing housing access and affordability. I will continue to advocate for these issues in my second term and hopefully, if we can take back the Majority, pass meaningful legislation to further my priorities.

3) What is your position on the Israel-Hamas conflict? Do you support calls for a ceasefire? If so, under what conditions? Do you support a two-state solution? With respect to Ukraine, do you support continued financial aid and assistance from the US?

I support a bilateral ceasefire and an end to the war. In order to get there, we must secure the release of all hostages from Gaza and the dismantling of Hamas. The Palestinian people deserve freedom, security, and self determination, none of which is possible under the brutal regime of Hamas. I am a strong supporter of a two-state solution. I believe it is the only path toward the peace and security of Israel and the Palestinian people.

I support continued robust financial aid and assistance from the US to Ukraine in their fight to defend their democracy against Russian aggression.

4) Do you support the right of a pregnant person to choose to terminate their pregnancy? What legislation do you support to guarantee that abortion access is available to everyone who wants it? Do you support medication abortion? What other actions do you support to guarantee the right to choose?

I am a strong advocate of reproductive rights and autonomy. I support the right of a pregnant person to choose to terminate their pregnancy. In my first term, I led a letter from 52 Congressmembers to press pharmacies including Walmart, Costco, Safeway, Kroger, and HealthMart on undergoing the certification process to dispense the abortion medication mifepristone. I joined the Pro-Choice Caucus and co-sponsored the Women's Health Protection Act to codify abortion rights nationwide, and I submitted an amicus brief urging the Supreme Court to protect access to medication abortion. I will continue fighting for the expansion of reproductive rights and pro-choice legislation.

5) What is your position on the building of new oil or gas projects? What is your vision for expanding the nation's supply and transmission of renewable energy? Do you support the vision of a Green New Deal?

I am a strong supporter of the transition away from oil and gas and towards renewable energy. As a member of the Sustainable Energy and Environment Coalition, I have been working closely with my colleagues to support legislation that moves us away from fossil fuels dependency. For example, one issue that the clean energy sector is currently facing is our lack of transmission infrastructure, barring us from fully taking advantage of our renewable energy production. I am proud to cosponsor the Clean Energy Transmission Act which addresses these major issues with our transmission infrastructure, incentivizing buildout and removing



unnecessary barriers in the way of rapid transmission deployment.

I am a co-sponsor of the Green New Deal and will continue to advocate for legislation that addresses and combats the imminent threat of climate change.

- 6) What health care reforms or plans do you support? Do you support Medicare for All?

 I believe that our collective work to guarantee access to healthcare must be an all-of-the-above approach. As we fight for passage of truly comprehensive legislation, we cannot forgo seizing opportunities as they arise to expand access to care for those who do not have it. In addition to being an original cosponsor on the Medicare for All Act, I have spent my first year in Congress working on legislation to expand access to mental health care for Medicaid recipients, children, incarcerated individuals, and those living with Serious Mental Illness.
- 7) Do you support repealing the Senate filibuster? If so, how will you use your platform to push for this reform?

I support repealing the Senate filibuster and have been a vocal opponent in Congress. I believe it is an antiquated detriment to progress and meaningful Democracy.

8) Voter ID laws, poll taxes, and limitations on polling sites and early voting are all examples of voter suppression tactics. What will you do to protect voting rights and elections, including but not limited to cosponsoring legislation?.

Defending our democracy continues to be a top priority of mine. Without equal access to the ballot, without fidelity to the concept of one person, one vote, our democracy cannot function properly. And our democracy cannot be taken for granted. That is why I was so proud to introduce, as my very first piece of legislation in Congress, the Early Voting Act, which is a crucial step to guarantee the fundamental right of one person, one vote. That right is truly the foundation of our democracy. The Early Voting Act will make federal elections uniform across the country, no matter if you are rich or poor; White, Brown, or Black; Democrat or Republican; or living in urban neighborhoods or rural farmland. This bill includes: At least 14 days of early voting before Election Day and including weekends; A requirement for polling places to be made easily accessible, including near public transportation and on college campuses; Provisions that ensure early votes are processed and counted before Election Day so that we will get our election results faster. Our democracy was founded on the principle of one person, one vote. We must provide easy and equal access to our democracy so that everyone can make their voices heard. I can't wait to take back the majority in the House and encourage my colleagues to help get this across the finish line.

9) What steps do you support to reduce gun violence in the United States?

As a parent raising five children in New York, gun violence is, sadly, something I am regularly concerned with. Parents should not be afraid to send their children to school, or worry about their safety while riding public transportation. This is why we must confront the gun violence epidemic and pass common sense gun reform. I am proud to be a leader on combating gun violence. I introduced the Keep Americans Safe Act, which bans the importation, sale, manufacture, transfer, or possession of high-capacity gun magazines. I am also a cosponsor of the Assault Weapons Ban to get weapons of war off our streets and pushed the Biden Administration to create the White House Office of Gun Violence Prevention.

10) What actions do you support to protect our immigrant neighbors? Do you support the Senate immigration reform bill? Explain what legislation you do or don't support.

New York and the nation were built by immigrants and I strongly support comprehensive legislation that provides a clear path to citizenship for the approximately 11 million undocumented immigrants currently residing in the U.S., as well as reform that will allow for the immediate reunification of separated family members and provide for a solution to the bureaucratic red-tape that arbitrarily prevents immigrants from



obtaining work and contributing to our city and their communities.

11) What legislation do you support with respect to reforming the Supreme Court? Do you support the Judiciary Act?

I am a strong supporter of reforming the Supreme Court and enforcing a code of ethics for justices. That's why I led 17 members of Congress, who are all former prosecutors, law enforcement officials, or judges, in sending a letter to Supreme Court Chief Justice Roberts urging the Chief Justice to establish an ethics counsel within the Supreme Court to standardize the Court's ethics procedures, advise justices on ethics issues – including disclosure requirements and recusals – and prevent ethical misjudgments. The letter also urged Chief Justice Roberts to establish an independent investigative body that can provide transparency and accountability through exhaustive investigations into alleged ethical improprieties. These recommendations serve to improve public trust in the Supreme Court and ensure the Court holds itself to the highest ethical standards. While I do not support the Judiciary Act, I do support term limits on the Court as an important way to reform the court.

12) What policies do you support to ensure fairness in employment and workplace conditions, as well as strengthening and increasing access to unions?

I strongly believe that unions are the backbone of our country. I am an original cosponsor of the PRO Act (Protecting the Right to Organize), which would strengthen workers' rights to negotiate for better working conditions and punish violations of workers' rights. I've been proud to join SAG-AFTRA to rally during their recent strike, as well as supporting UAW in their successful bargaining, and will continue to stand with our allies in labor as they seek fair wages and treatment

13) What would you do to ensure access to affordable and quality housing for everyone in New York and nationwide?

I am a strong advocate for increasing affordability and accessibility of housing. During my first term, I introduced the Public Housing Emergency Response Act with Rep. Velázquez to provide \$70 billion to the Public Housing Capital Fund, \$32 billion of which would be expected to go directly to NYCHA. I also advocated for and secured the inclusion of the Low Income Housing Tax Credit in the bipartisan tax deal to expand federal dollars available for affordable housing development in NYC.

14) What, if any, groups or types of people will you not accept campaign contributions from? If so, please note whose money you will not accept.

I do not accept campaign contributions from corporate PACs.