

League of Women Voters of Michigan
VOTER GUIDE - Tuesday, AUGUST 3, 2010, PRIMARY Election
U.S. REPRESENTATIVE – Congressional District 11

In a Primary election, you must choose which political party's primary to vote in and vote for only candidates of that party for all offices.

2 Candidates for ONE 2-year term – 1 REPUBLICAN, 1 DEMOCRAT

<p>QUESTION 1 (100 Words or less): Provide biographical information, including your qualifications for this office and the reasons you are running.</p>	<p>QUESTION 2 (100 Words or less): In this time of high unemployment, what are the most important things that should be done to improve the nation's economy?</p>	<p>QUESTION 3 (100 Words or less): What are your top two other priorities, why did you select them, and what actions would you take regarding them?</p>
<p>THADDEUS G. McCOTTER, REPUBLICAN – Website: www.mccotterrocks.com DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR INCLUSION</p>		
<p>NATALIE MOSHER, DEMOCRAT – Website: www.mosherforcongress.com</p>		
<p>I am from Detroit and I graduated from Michigan State. As a former executive and teacher, I have experience in the boardroom and the classroom. I was a county commissioner and executive for several non-profits. While in office, I brought clean drinking water to an area with polluted wells and oversaw the expansion of two manufacturing plants, creating many jobs. I championed numerous education measures with the League of Women Voters.</p> <p>I'm running for Congress because I want to bring national attention to Michigan's challenges. As a concerned citizen, mother, and independent-minded woman, I have experience in getting things done.</p>	<p>I believe that we need to start investing in Main Street instead of Wall Street. We need to end the predatory lending practices of the banking industry, regulate the high-risk behavior of hedge-fund managers, close corporate tax loopholes, encourage companies to keep jobs in Michigan, and keep lobbyists away from lawmakers.</p> <p>We must protect and revitalize our manufacturing base with the development of clean technology. It's time to get serious about green manufacturing and clean energy production. Investment in this sector will create new jobs and make us globally competitive.</p>	<p>Creating and protecting jobs in Michigan will be my top priority but often times, issues are interwoven together. I plan to focus on advancements in education and energy/environment issues as well. We need an education policy that addresses student achievement, alternative education and technical training, college costs, and students' home life issues. We need an energy policy geared towards domestic production of clean, safe renewable energy. Greater attention to education will provide training necessary for clean energy technology advancements. Investing in clean renewable energy will create more jobs and improve our national security as we transition away from foreign oil.</p>

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