

League of Women Voters of Michigan
VOTER GUIDE - Tuesday, AUGUST 3, 2010, PRIMARY Election
Michigan STATE REPRESENTATIVE – District 17

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.

3 Candidates for ONE 2-year term – 1 REPUBLICAN, 2 DEMOCRATS

<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): What are your state budget spending priorities and how would you adjust revenue and expenses to support those priorities?</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>MIKE ADAMS, REPUBLICAN – Website: www.mikeadams2010.com DID NOT REPLY IN TIME FOR INCLUSION</p>		
<p>PHIL CAVANAGH, DEMOCRAT</p>		
<p>Being a small business owner is challenging in these tough times - I know that firsthand. Through my company, MI Strategic Solutions, LLC, I'm working to spur business development in our communities. I am committed to getting our residents back to work and to making Michigan a much better place to do business.</p> <p>As a Wayne County Commissioner, I worked to improve health care services for residents and reduce costs. I will use that experience to help more Michigan residents get access to quality, affordable health care. My wife, Lily, and I have three daughters. We live in Redford Township.</p>	<p>Lansing is broken and our hard-working residents are paying the price. As we struggle to make ends meet, our hard-earned tax dollars are being wasted by out-of-touch politicians. We need a state government that is dedicated to creating jobs and making life better for us. I will fight to streamline state government to stop wasteful spending and ensure that our taxpayer dollars are being used efficiently on things that matter, like creating jobs for our workers and providing vital health care services for our residents, especially children and seniors.</p>	<p>I believe our state must do more to support our small businesses so we can create jobs for our workers and get our economy back on track. I will also fight to bring new, emerging industries to our communities and give vacant manufacturing facilities new life.</p> <p>We must also reform Lansing to provide services affordably and effectively. As an attorney and a businessman with an MBA and accounting background, I can wring a budget to squeeze out the waste in bureaucratic, inefficient government. Focusing on reform and jobs will balance the budget and put Michigan back to work.</p>
<p>FRANK A. TOMCSIK, DEMOCRAT – Website: www.votefranktomcsik.com</p>		
<p>Frank A. Tomcsik is dedicated to continued education. New technologies and global economy make it necessary to stay updated in the fast changing world, because knowledge is the most powerful tool in the world. MA in Public Administration (UM-D) 2010 BA in Political Science UM-D 2007 BA in History UM-D 2007 Certificate in Advanced Business MGT Shell Oil Co 1970s</p> <p>"I am the only candidate with a restructure, redesign, and modernize plan to change the way we do things, and "lead" us into the 21st century on a competitive level. Because we share the same vision and goals.</p>	<p>2 State budget priorities: Education, Economy, Crime/Justice, Social Services</p> <p>Supported by eliminating spending perks of State legislators, Transferring state prisoner spending to the Federal Government, Eliminating non productive programs from State funding, and downsizing non essential services. I can design, restructure, and modernize Lansing, based on efficiency, and results, of performance measurement, to meet the demands of the 21st century. Visit my Web-site and see how to save millions of Dollars www.votefranktomcsik.com</p>	<p>We must develop research and program evaluation for outcome. Current focus is on input and output; offers no measure of benefit to the well-being of the people served. Performance must be measured for outcomes, not outputs.</p> <p>Senior citizens and the most vulnerable must be protected from scams and unethical business practices. I would assemble a focus group to deal with senior issues. Senior Citizens (as our Parents) protected us when we were vulnerable children and it is only right that we reciprocate and protect them.</p>

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