

Presidential Race - 2016

We always hear at each election time that this election is the most critical election of our lifetime. I think that is because as our nation slips farther and farther away from the model of constitutional limited government and the rule of law our Founders entrusted to us and as our God-given rights and liberties continue to be eroded by our government, each election in which this destructive trend fails to be reversed means that the next election becomes more crucial than the last election. So that makes this election even more critical than our previous elections. This is the place we are in today.

Not all of us are excited about our choices at the top of the ticket. At this point, as difficult as it might be, we must overlook the personalities and the ads on TV and instead, we must look at the policies supported by our 2 realistic choices at the top of the ticket: Trump and Clinton.

Trump has declared he will nominate conservative justices to the U.S. Supreme Court with the strict constructionist philosophy of the late Justice Antonin Scalia and who will uphold and defend the Constitution. Clinton has made it clear she will nominate justices who consider the Constitution clay that must conform to societal trends and will continue working to impose a liberal agenda upon our nation.

Trump sees and understands the erosion of our nation's leadership in the world and will work to restore it. Clinton does not apologize for the course laid out by the current administration on our foreign policy but instead plans on continuing it.

Trump supports rebuilding our nation's military and destroying ISIS and radical Islamic terrorism. Clinton agrees with the current administration policy regarding the military and merely containing ISIS.

Trump will work for a balanced budget and reining in spending. Clinton is looking for ways to increase spending.

Trump understands that it is through limiting government that an economy prospers. He will work for lower taxes and less regulations so that businesses can prosper and jobs are created, including the agriculture and

energy sectors. Clinton believes that by increasing government our economy will prosper. She will tax those that create the jobs and impose costly regulations on them expecting them to make bricks without straw.

Trump supports controlling the borders, enforcing the immigration laws already on the books, and ending sanctuary cities so that our people's safety is secured. Clinton supports open borders as we have now, in which criminals, gangs, human traffickers, and even terrorists can enter unhindered.

Trump believes our elections ought to be secure, that your vote ought to mean something. Clinton does not support policies to assure election integrity.

Trump supports returning control of education to communities. Clinton believes government has great plans for your children's education and will roll them out for you like it or not.

The contrast in policies between Trump and Clinton is extremely wide. No question we must cast our vote for Trump. No doubt his policies will be the best ones for our country.

We cannot afford to be neutral at this critical crossroads in our nation's history. Not to vote or to vote for a 3rd party will only help Clinton. Having Clinton for our President will do serious and perhaps irreparable damage to our nation. Our country, our children, our grandchildren cannot afford that. If nothing else, cast your vote in the best way you can to assure Clinton does not win.

The times we are in demand we must make a stand. We can either 1) vote for Trump or 2) help Clinton get elected. Yes, reprehensible behavior exists on both sides, but this election is not about the personalities but about the future of our country. That is why I'm voting for Trump and would urge you to do the same.

Feel free to contact me with ideas, thoughts, and concerns. My phone is 319-987-3021 or you can email me at sandy.salmon@legis.iowa.gov . I want to hear what you are thinking and will listen to your input. Together we will

work to make a difference for the future of Iowa. Thank you very much for the honor of representing you!

Sincerely,

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