

Candidate: Tonya Schuitmaker
Office Seeking: Attorney General
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1. Do you support the efforts of Welcoming Michigan? Why? Why Not?

Our country is a unique experiment founded on the principles of limited government, freedom, rule of law, and individual responsibility and opportunity. America has been so successful because of these foundational principles and values. We should be promoting these proven American values rather than opening our borders and then trying to adapt to the people coming in. I noticed Welcoming Michigan supports sanctuary cities, which I strongly oppose.

2. Do you support the current U.S. Refugee Resettlement Program? Why? Why Not?

I believe the United States should only admit immigrants who we strongly expect to benefit our country. If an individual cannot be vetted or comes from a region known to consist of many terrorism supporters, there is no reason for our country to take the risk of allowing these people into our country. I appreciate Brooks Patterson speaking out against the refugee resettlement program last year and I am grateful he has endorsed my campaign. Until President Trump's extreme vetting is fully implemented and we are very confident the individuals will benefit America, I would not support.

3. Do you support making Michigan a Sanctuary State? Why? Why Not?

No. There should never be a sanctuary for criminal illegal aliens. Senator Patrick Colbeck and I together introduced resolutions earlier this year supporting Kate's Law and a ban on funding for sanctuary cities. Gene Clem, a Tea Party leader and friend, is featured in my campaign video opposing sanctuary cities; here is the video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uubpl095KJs>

4. Having taken the oath of office, how would you balance diversity and assimilation?

We should always put our American principles first. Freedom, the rule of law, and liberties enshrined in our Constitution provided the framework which has generated tremendous prosperity and opportunity. The promotion of sanctuary cities or other reckless policies in the name of diversity would be a disaster.

5. Name examples of Shariah compatibility/incompatibility with the U.S. Constitution.

The examples are numerous. As we know, the U.S. Constitution protects freedom of speech, the right to bear arms, and equal treatment under law. My understanding is that Shariah Law prohibits non-Muslims disagreeing with Islam, owning a gun, or receiving treatment comparable to a Muslim in the judicial system. Shariah Law is clearly very dangerous.

6. List donations over \$250 (Provide As-of-Date—Will be asked to update periodically).

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