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SECURE CANDIDATE VETTING QUESTIONS

(This submission supersedes all previous submissions)

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1. Do you support the efforts of “Welcoming Michigan? Why? Why not?”

- a. Absolutely not. It is well established fact many of the immigrates now arriving have little regard for our cultural and unique Americanism. They come not to assimilate, rather to transform America into a theocracy. They have made that fact clear in countless statements and narratives. It is sad many Americans do not see the hand writing on the wall. If we do not face those facts now our future generations will pay the price. That cost is far too great to ignore.

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

- a. Absolutely no! The U. S. House of Representatives, under article 1, section 8, US of our Constitution clearly states who determines our immigration laws and the executive branch has the responsibility to enforce those laws. We are a sovereign nation and we, not the United Nations, determine who can and cannot arrive on our shores and cross our borders. There are countless Middle Eastern countries able and willing to welcome refugees of similar culture.
- b. During my term in office as a US Representative from Michigan’s 11th District I visited Eloy Prison in Arizona where the US Border patrol and our enforcement arm for immigration within our borders place violators of our immigration laws. Each day the prison publishes a daily report of prisoners and their country of origin. It was interesting to note the number of inmates in Eloy who originated from “terrorist countries.” Those in Eloy are those caught and prison and Border patrolman stated those are the violators we caught. Those not apprehended are the problem and that number is unknowable. President Obama’s open border and failures to enforce our immigration laws has fundamentally placed our country “at risk” and we will be paying the price for many years to come. Pressure must be stepped up to enforce our immigration procedures and perform a proper background check on each person who desires to come to America.

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

- a. No. Sanctuary States or cities is a violation of Federal immigration laws. Again, Article 1, Section 8 of the US Constitution allows the U. S. House authority over immigration laws. Sanctuary cities or states have NO authority under the 10th Amendment nor any other law which allows such action. City mayors or State Governors claiming sanctuary status have blatantly violated Federal immigration laws. Violators should be held accountable, arrested and if found guilty - imprisoned.

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

- a. A fundamental beneficial phenomenon of our great country is the cultural, ethnic and religious diversity of its people. It is the best part of being American. Yet, each one of us have dreams unique to ourselves we all label as our personal "American Dream." To be what you want to be, to follow your passion and make something out of it. It is the freedom to "try" something and yes, fail at it and try again, and again until you succeed. That "American dream" is what binds us together in the great American stew. We welcome people who truly want to "try" and follow a dream and assimilate. It has worked for decade after decade using carefully designed laws.

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

- a. Sexual mutilation
- b. Inability to change one's belief to another religious belief without fear of retribution.
- c. A failure to support and/or respect the religious beliefs of others.
- d. A failure to support or respect American law in American courts.
- e. Intolerance of others with a difference of opinion.
- f. A social structure based on a belief the male Muslim is superior to all others in the social strata.

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Signed:

Honorable Kerry Bentivolio, Member of the 113th US Congress (2013-15)