



Brookline PAX

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We commend you for standing as a candidate for office in the September 2010 Democratic primary.

For almost fifty years Brookline PAX has been an organization of progressives who actively participate in local politics. For information concerning the issues we consider important, see the reverse side and our Website. We regularly endorse candidates for local offices, and due to the interest in this primary among our members, and the number of non-Brookline candidates who are less familiar here, our board has voted to consider making an endorsement in your race.

Our endorsement questionnaire, available at www.BrooklinePAX.org, was e-mailed to you on July 2 if we were able to obtain your address. It is also enclosed. **However, we prefer that you submit it by e-mail.** If you do so, **enter your name and office in the subject line and send it to**

martyros@world.std.com and **frank.farlow@verizon.net**

If you wish to be considered for PAX endorsement, we must receive your completed questionnaire by **Friday, July 16.**

PAX makes its endorsement decisions based in large part on your responses. If you have established a history as a local office holder or through other activities, your public record will also be given weight. Endorsement is by a vote of 60% of board members present at a duly conducted meeting.

We recognize that the questionnaire is lengthy. This is because we take endorsements seriously. Also, some of the questions might not seem directly related to matters at issue in your desired office, but we have always been concerned about candidates' overall political values and philosophy, not just concrete and imminent decisions.

Please note that we are interested, especially where indicated, in any *history of involvement* you may have regarding the various issues – not just your current views and beliefs. This might include membership in interest groups, past support for particular candidates, or any past activity, here or elsewhere (e.g., votes in other public offices) concerning the issue in question.

Regardless whether you receive the PAX endorsement, we greatly appreciate your civic spirit and willingness to participate as an elected official. For additional information about our endorsement process, you may call co-chair Frank Farlow at 232-9654 up to 10 p.m.

Marty Rosenthal (617-742-0606) and Frank Farlow (617-232-9654)

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