

United States Representative 2 Year Term – Vote for One (1)

Candidates were asked to summarize their backgrounds in 75 words and were allotted 75 words to answer each question. If the candidate did not reply by the required date for publication, the words, "Did not respond in time for publication" appear under the candidate's name.

QUESTION 1
Are you concerned about the size of the federal deficit? Explain your answer.

QUESTION 2
What government measures would you propose to improve access to affordable health care?

QUESTION 3
The United States uses a great deal of fossil fuel for power generation and transportation. What measures would you support to tackle the ever increasing need for energy?

★★★★★ **10th District** ★★★★★

Candice S. Miller, Republican

Congresswoman Candice Miller's career in public service reflects a long history of efficiency and effectiveness – from her early roots on the Harrison Township Board of Trustees, nearly 26 years ago, to her current responsibilities representing Michigan's 10th Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives. Now in her second term after first being elected in November 2002, she currently serves on the House Armed Services, House Administration, and Government Reform Committees. She is dedicated to ...

I think it is imperative that we begin to close the federal budget deficit and bring it back into balance. I also believe that we must look at the entire budget to find areas of waste, fraud and abuse and eliminate that spending. We must be very careful to not reduce needed funding that would threaten our national security, border security or economic infrastructure such as roads. Government must do what every family or small ...

Like rising energy costs, the high cost of health care represents a serious threat to our nation's economy. To combat these high costs we must do several things. We must pass association health plans which allow small businesses to pool together to reduce costs. We must pass liability reform thereby eliminating junk lawsuits which increase costs by forcing doctors to practice unnecessary defensive medicine, limits the number of doctors practicing in specific disciplines and in ...

America's addiction to foreign sources of energy is one of the biggest economic and national security threats facing our country. One thing we should do is increase access to our domestic sources of energy while at the same time developing alternatives to oil. Ethanol and other bio based fuels, based on American grown corn, sugar beets and beans, can be grown and refined right here at home. These promising new technologies would give a boost ...

Robert Denison, Democrat

Occupation: Retired UAW International Representative. Family Info: Married, Father of two, Grandfather of five. High School: Hazel Park High School, Class of 1961. College- Post Grad: Wayne State University. Experience Related to the office you are seeking: Thirty four years of experience representing employees of Chrysler Corporation and General Dynamics, with extensive experience in problem resolution, arbitration and contract negotiations.

The federal deficit is a problem that continues to snowball out of control. When President Bush came to office, the federal government was running record budget surpluses. The Administration and Congress chose to reduce taxes for the wealthiest Americans and the oil industry. These tax cuts should be eliminated, with one exception- the marriage penalty tax. I would propose budget reductions in all areas of spending until we have a balanced budget.

Every industrialized nation in the world, except the U.S., uses a universal health care system to provide medical care for its citizens. The current system places the burden of health care costs on the employers that provide health insurance, by forcing them to pay for their own and the uninsured. This places an unfair burden and a competitive disadvantage on these employers and their employees. I would work to support a universal health care system.

More effort should be placed on renewable sources of energy. The current energy policy is intended only to benefit the oil industry, at the expense of the American taxpayer and consumer. The government should assist in reducing the dependence on foreign oil by improving the infrastructure for alternative fuels like E85. Flexible fuel vehicles produced in the United States and purchasers of E85 fuel should be provided tax cuts to reduce use of fossil fuels.

Candace Ruth Caveny, Green

Reserve-retired schoolteacher, court caseworker, lab analyst, physician-Grad of U of Calif, followed by medical training Midwestern U of Health Sciences/CCOM, Residency: WSU School of Medicine-Licensed to practice in MI since 1975-Husband Des Collins, UAW Skilled Trades Retiree-Combined family of son & daughter (both lawyers, on opposite coasts) & two step-daughters (hospital administration, & classical studies), five grandchildren.

Yes, I am concerned about the Federal deficit & our dependence on foreign governments to purchase our debt instruments.

I support a single-payer program, perhaps based on a gradual expansion of the current Medicare program to ultimately include every American at all ages.

I strongly support increased wind-power (such as the 300-turbine wind-farm already begun in the Ubyly/Bad Axe area of my district in the Thumb), & also increased soybean biodiesel (such as is available at stations in Bay City, Ann Arbor, & south of Detroit), though I support research at MSU to develop increased use of corn cobs for this, to avoid compromising food supplies.

F. Richard Gualdoni, US Taxpayers

Did not respond in time for publication.

Mark Byrne, Libertarian

My wife Katie and our son Thomas have lived in Port Huron the last 6 years. I lived in Redford, East Pointe, Detroit (Indian Village), Ecorse and Detroit (Rosedale Park) prior to moving to Port Huron. I work in Marysville at Intertape Polymer's Tape manufacturing plant as the Quality Manager. I graduated from the University of Detroit with a B.S. in Chemical Engineering in 1987 and have worked in manufacturing since 1983.

I am extremely concerned about both the size of the federal deficit and the federal debt. The runaway growth of the federal government has to stop and be reversed. The sooner this happens the less painful the change will be. If we fail to change on our own the change will come in the form of a steady decline or sudden crash in our standard of living, economy and security.

The most regulated industry in this country is health-care. The least regulated is computers. While health care costs continue to sky rocket computers continue to be less expensive and more powerful year after year. Eliminating non-value adding regulations such as the mandatory FDA approval, mandatory prescriptions for some medicines, and restrictions on the number of students allowed into med school along with other common sense changes. Health care costs would drop dramatically making insurance more affordable.

Excess regulation again is part of the problem. A current example is the Wind Farm in Ubley. It is ready to be built but is on hold until next year. The utility running the grid needs to get an OK from the government to avoid another layer of regulations. This roadblock delays an additional source of clean renewable energy and drives up the costs making investors less likely to invest.

