East Bay Stonewall Democratic Club Endorsement Questionnaire

Thank you for your interest in obtaining an endorsement from the East Bay Stonewall Democratic Club.

Per the Club's bylaws, to be eligible for endorsement, a candidate must be a registered Democrat. All candidates must also complete this candidate questionnaire to be considered for an endorsement. Endorsements are decided by the general membership, and candidates must receive at least 60% of votes cast to be endorsed.

The deadline for questionnaires is posted on the East Bay Stonewall website (<u>http://eastbaystonewalldemocrats.org/Elections</u>). Any candidate submitting a questionnaire that is received after the deadline will not appear on the endorsement ballot. To ensure a fair process, no grace period will be granted.

Please return your completed questionnaire via Google forms by clicking submit at the bottom of this form. All form submissions are final. If you have questions, please contact Shay Franco-Clausen, EBSDC PAC chair via email at

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Name (First Last) *

Dan Kalb

Are you a registered Democrat *
 Yes No
Office you are seeking? (e.g. City Council, School Board, Supervisor, etc) * State Senate (SD) 7
Jurisdiction * California (SD 7)
District * 7
Are you an East Bay Stonewall Democratic Club member in good standing? If you are unsure, * email <u>eastbaystonewalldems@gmail.com</u> .
 Yes No

I self-identify as: (check all boxes that apply; note these identifiers will be used publicly during our endorsement process.)	*
Gay	
Lesbian	
Transgender	
Gender non-conforming	
Bisexual	
Queer	
Straight	
Other:	

How have you participated in East Bay Stonewall Democratic Club activities, and/or supported * the Club other ways? What other LGBTQ+ organizations are you affiliated with and in what capacity? What other Democratic clubs are you affiliated with?

I have participated in several East Bay Stonewall activities including Pride breakfasts and Oakland Pride marches, and guest bartender special events.

I am a long-time member of the Wellstone and MGO Democratic clubs, and a longtime CA Democratic Party delegate. I am a lifelong supporter of complete LGBTQ+ equality!

Using specific examples, please identify the causes you have advocated for and the ways you * have helped advance LGBTQ+ rights or otherwise helped foster a community of inclusivity for LGBTQ+ individuals and families.

I phone-banked with the NO on 8 campaign and supported funding for LQBTQ+ youth programs and other LGBTQ+ nonprofits.

I am a co-author of a proposed LGBTQ+ cultural zone in Oakland.

I am not new to progressive activism, including equality activism. I have advocated for and spoke up in support of LGBTQ+ rights for decades. I walked precincts for the domestic partners measures in San Francisco. And even further back, while in college in 1978, I spoke out against the Briggs initiative to my fellow college students, to stand up for LGBTQ+ teachers and public school employees.

Have you previously supported LGBTQ+ candidates for office? If yes, did that include financial * support?

Yes (many) and Yes -- I have supported many LGBTQ+ candidates for elective office over the past few decades.

Which LGBTQ+ organizations and elected officials have formally endorsed you for this race? *

Mark Leno, Tom Ammiano, Joaquin Rivera, Gabe Quinto, Tim Rood,

Please describe a policy/goal that is part of your formal platform that benefits the LGTBQ+ community?

I intend to be a strong advocate for the LGBTQ+ community. In particular, the Transgender community has been under attack and I will be there as a vocal ally standing side by side with our transgender residents. The policies that I champion will always keep the LGBTQ+ community in mind. One key element of my policy platform is COMBATING HATE and BIGOTRY, which the LGBTQ+ community knows all too well. We are living in challenging times with some of our neighbors under attack from extremists and hate-mongers just because of who they are. I know that we must step up our efforts locally and statewide to protect immigrants, stand up to subtle and not-so subtle forms of racism, and combat discrimination and hate in all its forms. Racism, gender discrimination, anti-semitism, and homophobia, transphobia are all too real--even here in the Bay Area. As I has done in the past, I will stand up and stand with communities under attack.

What makes you uniquely qualified for the office and how are you different or unique from the * other candidates in your race?

I have a strong, progressive record of accomplishments and I have never been afraid to lead the charge for meaningful change. I have spent my entire professional career in the Bay Area as an environmental and social justice advocate and political activist, leading efforts to protect our environment and promote climate justice, increase affordable housing and strengthen renters protection laws, fight for clean money elections, create livable, walkable neighborhoods, and promote social justice, standing up against hate and bigotry and so much more. I have more than 10 years of legislative experience at the state level!

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