

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 (<http://eastbaystonewalldemocrats.org/Elections>). 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 [REDACTED]

Email *

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Name (First Last) *

Adam Schiff

Are you a registered Democrat *

Yes

No

Office you are seeking? (e.g. City Council, School Board, Supervisor, etc) *

U.S. Senate, California

Jurisdiction *

Federal

District *

N/A State of California

Are you an East Bay Stonewall Democratic Club member in good standing? If you are unsure, *
email eastbaystonewalldems@gmail.com.

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 supported and attended events for Stonewall Democrats here in LA for many years, as well as Stonewall young Dems. Burbank Democratic Club, Glendale Democrats, EAPD, Stonewall Democrats, Miracle Mile Democrats, Avance Democratic Club, West Hollywood/Beverly Hills Dems

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. *

As a Vice Chair of the Equality Caucus, the first Congressman to complete the 540 mile AIDS Life Cycle Ride, and the author of numerous bills to end discrimination against the LGBT community, and the Congressman for the City of West Hollywood, I know many LGBTQ+ Americans still lack basic legal protections in far too many states.. The need for inclusion in federal law is clear as nearly two-thirds of LGBTQ+ Americans report that they have experienced some form of discrimination, and rightly fear that the Supreme Court will take away their hard-earned human rights.

That's why I'm an original co-sponsor of the bipartisan Equality Act, and I will continue to push this bill forward until it finally crosses the finish line.

And while this isn't policy related, I want to share one story. The night that Donald Trump was elected, there was an impromptu gathering at the LA LGBT Center. People were worried they were in danger and their rights were about to be taken away. A central part of my representation of the community has always been showing up, listening, and then acting. That's the type of representation and support for the community I intend to bring to the Senate.

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

Yes, I have consistently supported LGBTQ+ individuals for office, and will continue to do so. Just last year, I extensively helped Will Rollins in his bid to defeat an anti-LGBTQ Republican, including with donations and help fundraising.

Far too often, individuals from marginalized communities have a harder time fundraising and kick-starting their campaigns – that's why financial contributions from sitting elected officials is so important, and why I'll continue to provide that support

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

Congressman Mark Takano
State Sen. Steve Padilla
Asm. Rick Chavez Zbur
Matt Dorsey, San Francisco County Supervisor
Konstantine Anthony, Mayor of Burbank
Todd Gloria, Mayor of San Diego
John Heilman, former Mayor of West Hollywood
Henry Lo, Monterey Park Councilmember
Sasha Renee Perez, Alhambra Councilmember
Thomas Wong, Monterey Park Councilmember
Alton Wang, Pasadena City College Board Trustee
Sheila Kuehl, former LA County Supervisor
John Perez, former Speaker of the Assembly
Art Torres, former State Senator
Gabriel Quinto, El Cerrito Councilmember

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

I am committed to protecting our democracy by enshrining the right to marry, the right to reproductive care, and the right to vote into law. I also strongly support the Equality Act, and have been a leader on access and coverage for PrEP. Our country derives its strength from its diversity and differences, and a thriving democracy is incumbent upon protecting the rights of the diverse members of our community. That's why as your Senator, I will fight for a constitutional amendment to protect LGBTQ+ rights under the law, including the right to marry.

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

I am running for the U.S. Senate because I have a track record of working with others to solve problems and deliver results for Californians. I'm a proud pro-labor, pro-worker candidate for the U.S. Senate. I've fought for working people my whole life. But more than just fighting, I've gotten things done.

I've taken on powerful special interests, and more powerful Supreme Court Justices. I've taken on corporate presidents. And I've taken on U.S. Presidents. As a young federal prosecutor I took on drug lords, big defense contractors, and big oil companies. And I won.

In the State Senate, I took on big insurance companies and passed a Patient Bill of Rights. I took on the big health care corporations and we got nursing-staff ratios. I got elected to Congress and took on the most unethical president ever and I impeached him. Led the senate trial against him. And when he engaged in insurrection, I investigated him, so there would be justice. And I'll always take on anyone who gets in the way of working people, our health care, our jobs, our rights, our democracy with the same tenacity I took on Donald Trump.

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