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CITIZENS UNION CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE NEW YORK CITY COUNCIL ELECTION 2009

Citizens Union would appreciate your responses to the following questions related to policy issues facing the City of New York that are of concern to Citizens Union and the citizens of the City. We plan to make public your responses to this questionnaire in our Voters Directory, on our website, and in other appropriate venues. Responses to these questions will be one of several factors Citizens Union will use to evaluate candidates who are running for office in order to determine our "Preferred Candidates" for the primary election and "Endorsed Candidates" for the general election. In order to receive Citizens Union's "preferred" or "endorsed" status, in addition to completing the questionnaire, candidates must participate in an interview with Citizens Union's Local Candidates Committee.

We thank you very much for your response.
Candidate Name: VAUL JALLONC Age: 42
Office to Which You Seek (Re) Election: Council District #:
Campaign Address: 25-59 FRANCE Tens BUD. Fushing NY 11358
Campaign Telephone Number: (7/8) 428 - 7285 Fax: (7/8) 428 - 4600
Party Affiliation(s): Campaign Manager Name: Aprilan
Website & Email: WULD- PAUVALLONG, COM WEST PAUL/ALLONG, COM
Education: LACUSIA- ST. JOHNS LOW
Occupation/Employer (or years in currently held elected office): 1000000000000000000000000000000000000
Previous Offices, Campaigns and Community/Civic Involvement: Former Jours Member of: NYC BD. J. Corpertions, Community Bs. 1 QSAC, Uniety Bys Gies Cub Current Press. J. Astorier 1-te Kinexeris, Trushing Knights D. Grumbus
Are you willing to be interviewed by CU's Local Candidates Committee? YES NO Have you completed requisite campaign finance filings? YES NO (Please note: Citizens Union can grant its "Preferred Candidate" and "Endorsed Candidate" rating only to candidates we have
Signature of Candidate (Date: 7/15/09
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I. CANDIDATE QUESTIONS

Please state your position on the following issues by indicating whether you support or oppose each. You may elaborate in the space provided at the end or on additional paper.

YOTING AND ELECTIONS REFORM 1. What is your position with respect to allowing voters Support Oppose who are registered as independents to vote in party primaries? 2. What is your position on passage of state legislation Suppor Oppose that would allow referenda initiated by the City Council and/or the public to appear on the ballot at the same time as a referendum initiated by a charter commission appointed by the Mayor? 3. What is your position on increasing the pay of Support Oppose Election Day poll workers above the current \$200 they are allotted per election event? What is your position on restructuring New York's Support Oppose current board of elections model to eliminate political party responsibility for overall election administration and replace it with a system that narrows political party involvement to certification of candidate petitions and the actual counting of votes? What is your position on having an election Support Oppose administration system where there is a local elections executive director appointed by the mayor upon recommendation by a new board that is chosen by the mayor and the city council? **CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM** 6. What is your position on implementing "war chest" Oppose Support restrictions that would prohibit a candidate from transferring funds raised in a previous election cycle into a current campaign committee for a different

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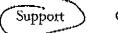
7. What is your position on allowing campaign financing for ballot proposals?



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CITY COUNCIL REFORM

- 8. What is your position on allowing Council committees to function more independently of the speaker than is presently the case?
 - a. Should committee staff be hired by and report to committee chairs?
 - b. Should committee hearings and votes be scheduled at the direction of the chairs?
 - c. Should committees be able to issue subpoenas by a vote of their members?
- 9. What is your position on:
 - a. limiting councilmembers' ability to earn outside income?
 - b. making the job of councilmember a full-time position?
 - c. eliminating or limiting stipends for committee chairs and leadership positions?
- 10. What is your position on requiring that any future increase in councilmember compensation not affect those serving in the cuttent term of the council and only be applied prospectively to the following term?
- 11. What is your position on consolidating the current City Council committee structure and reducing the number of overall committees?
- 12. What is your position on term limits for elected officials?
- 13. What is your position on modifying the City Charter to require that changes to term limits may only be approved by the voters?



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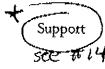
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what is your position on transferring power to the Civilian Complaint Review Board to prosecute cases

of police misconduct, such as force, abuse of authority, discourtesy, and offensive language?

16. What is your position on changing the current land

17. What is your position regarding the creation of a

and 1989 charter review commissions?

future city government employees?

18. What is your position on reforming the current

community-based planning?

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Charter Revision Commission to review specifically the roles of the various offices of government and how well government has functioned since the 1988

pension funding structure to create multiple tiers for

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	a. In FY 2008-09, New York City spent \$12 billion on pensions and fringe benefits for City employees out of a total budget of \$62 billion. What would you do to address the growing pension costs borne by the city and New York. City tax payers? 6800 100 Account Ability On all lively
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19.	What is your position with respect to the City Council passing a resolution calling upon the State Legislature to establish a State Constitutional Convention?
	a. If support, what are the three most important areas that need improvement?
	- No provision of succession regarding to bourner. - Home rule for vyc. - term limits.
	b. Do you believe that greater home rule should be granted to the City of New York? If so, in what areas should further sovereignty be given?
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20.	Taking into consideration the lessons learned from the debates surrounding congestion pricing and the Ravitch Commission's recommendations to provide the MTA with long-term funding, what would you propose to address the MTA's fiscal solvency issues and ensure that the burden for funding the MTA is equitably distributed among all stakeholders?
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21. What would you propose in terms of creating a greater role for the city council in determining and deciding the city budget?
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22. What is your position regarding the City's past practice of using surplus tax revenues to pay down
future health cost and pension obligations, and the decision not to do so this year?
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to very aff our and debt. The fund should be
allowed to accumulate.
23. What is your view of how the taxes paid by New Yorkers compare to the value that is received in
City services? Do you believe that taxes should be raised or lowered? To the extent you believe
taxes should be changed, please provide specific proposals about what taxes you would raise and what services you would cut, if you didn't raise taxes, listed in order of greatest magnitude.
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^{24.} Many policy advocates champion the creation of a more diversified economy, and one that is less reliant on Wall Street. What is your position on such a plan? If you support it, what would you do

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to diversify the city's economy? How would you adjust spending in New York City to
accommodate the anticipated reduction in tax revenue as the tax base shifts to lower paying jobs

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25. What would you propose the Department of Education do to increase the ability for parteachers to become more meaningfully involved in the education system? What other pochanges can be made to the New York City public school system?	
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26. What would you propose to increase the transparency of the Board of	Elections in the City of
New York's operations and accountability to the city and its voters?	

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27. What would you propose to further enhance transparency regarding the relationships between council members, their families, and nonprofits that receive funding from New York City?

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CANDIDATE ACCOUNTABILITY QUESTIONNAIRE

Citizens Union is adding a new element to its evaluation of candidates running for office. As a candidate who presently does not hold elected office, CU is interested in knowing your top five campaign promises you are making to the voters during this campaign for this position.

If elected, Citizens Union will use these promises to evaluate your performance while in office, as well as, to evaluate your candidacy in the future.

We thank you very much for your response. Please feel free to use additional paper if the space provided is not sufficient.

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