

**PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO: Ruth Bryant, Women's TAP Fund, 466 Hickory Street, Buffalo, York 14204-1321. Email to: [rdbryant@ap.buffalo.edu](mailto:rdbryant@ap.buffalo.edu).** Application **MUST** be typed. The TAP Fund supports qualified women running for state and local office in Western New York. These women must be pro-choice, pro-child care legislation and pro-ERA in order to qualify for our support. Please see our mission statement and deadline dates as they vary at [www.tapfund.com](http://www.tapfund.com).



### Candidate Endorsement Questionnaire

Candidate \_\_\_\_\_

Exact Name of Campaign Committee \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_

Campaign Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Website Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Sought \_\_\_\_\_ Party \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Election \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

General Election \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

If the TAP Fund endorses your candidacy, you agree to include the TAP endorsement in all of your campaign materials including print and other media.

My signature below serves as a release permitting use of my name in any TAP Fund material.

Candidate's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**The Women's TAP Fund was created to support women candidates for Western New York local and statewide (non-federal) offices. Candidates may be affiliated with any political party except Right-to-Life and must support equal rights for women and a woman's right to make her own reproductive decisions, as well as support publicly and privately funded child care programs.**

**Candidates must answer YES to the following questions in order to be considered.**

ERA

YES

NO

1a. Are you in favor of a federal Equal Rights Amendment to the U.S. Constitution as follows: "Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or any other state on account of sex?"

1b. Do you support legislation to protect equal rights for all individuals regardless of gender, race, age, religion, ethnic origin or sexual orientation?

YES

NO

REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS

YES

NO

2A. Do you support the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decision in Roe v. Wade, which protects a woman's fundamental right to choose an abortion?

2b. Do you support governmental funding of abortions for women who rely on programs, such as federal and state Medicaid for their health care?

YES

NO

2c. Do you oppose requirements that young women must notify their parents or obtain their consent prior to having an abortion?

YES

NO

2d. Do you support access to birth control information for all women?

YES

NO

CHILD CARE

3. Do you support publicly and privately funded childcare?

YES

NO

In answering the following questions about your campaign, please give as much information as is possible at this time or your plans for dealing with the subject. Please use additional pages, if needed. If you are involved in a primary, include information relevant to both the primary and general elections, e.g. opponents. Include news clips, videotapes, commercials, campaign literature or any other material you feel will be helpful.

1. Have you officially announced your candidacy or filed your treasurer's name with the appropriate state office?
  
2. Have you filed petitions? Why are you running? How and why will you win? Who are your key staff and volunteers?
  
3. What are your major campaign issues?
  
4. Describe your campaign-financing plan. Include budget, money raised to date, cash on hand, planned fundraising events, and if you plan to contribute your own funds.
  
5. Do you expect to receive your party's endorsement?
  
6. Are you seeking any other endorsements?
  
7. Have you ever sought the Right To Life endorsement, or ever attempted an opportunity to Ballot [Write-in] for the Right To Life?
  
8. What groups have endorsed you this year or in the past?

9. Please list your active community memberships, indicating any that may have significant impact on this campaign e.g. promised volunteers, help with fundraising, and perspective on issues.

10. Who are your opponents? Primary? General? Is the incumbent running or supporting one of the candidates?

11. Describe the district - geography and demographics; percentage of registered voters in your party. Is your name a recognition factor in this race?

12. Is any polling data available? Please describe and give results.

13. List your important accomplishments in office if an elected or appointed official.

14. How do you intend to use the platform of your office to address women's issues?

15. Please attach a resume and budget.

16. Please list any additional material that you have added to this questionnaire.

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