



## STATE OF UTAH & SANDY CITY PLEDGE OF FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES

(Utah Code §20A-9-206)

WHEREAS, Utah Code §20A-9-206 contemplates that each person seeking to become a candidate for any elective office that is to be filled at the next election shall be provided with a copy of the pledge of fair campaign practices; and

WHEREAS, There are basic principles of decency, honesty, and fair play which every candidate for public office in the State of Utah has a moral obligation to observe and uphold, in order that, after vigorously contested but fairly conducted campaigns, our citizens may exercise their right to a free election, and that the will of the people may be fully and clearly expressed on the issues; and-

WHEREAS, Sandy City believes that each candidate for office should play by the rules, exercise civility, adhere to all state and local laws, and strive to keep Sandy beautiful.

### NOW THEREFORE:

**I SHALL** conduct my campaign openly and publicly, discussing the issues as I see them, presenting my record and policies with sincerity and frankness, and criticizing, without fear or favor, the record and policies of my opponents that I believe merit criticism.

**I SHALL NOT** use, nor shall I permit the use of, scurrilous attacks on any candidate or the candidate's immediate family. I shall not participate in, nor shall I permit the use of, defamation, libel, or slander against any candidate or the candidate's immediate family. I shall not participate in, nor shall I permit the use of, any other criticism of any candidate or the candidate's immediate family that I do not believe to be truthful, provable, and relevant to my campaign.

**I SHALL NOT** use, nor shall I permit the use of, any practice that tends to corrupt or undermine our American system of free elections, or that hinders or prevents the free expression of the will of the voters, including practices intended to hinder or prevent any eligible person from registering to vote or voting.

**I SHALL NOT** coerce election help or campaign contributions for myself or for any other candidate from my employees or volunteers.

**I SHALL** immediately and publicly repudiate support deriving from any individual or group which resorts, on behalf of my candidacy or in opposition to that of an opponent, to methods in violation of the letter or spirit of this pledge. I shall accept responsibility to take firm action against any subordinate who violates any provision of this pledge or the laws governing elections.

**I SHALL** defend and uphold the right of every qualified American voter to full and equal participation in the electoral process.

**I SHALL** follow all state and local laws related to my candidacy for office in Sandy City including, but not limited to, campaign finance disclosure requirements, and the proper and lawful placement and installation of campaign signage.

**I SHALL** strive to keep Sandy beautiful and free of clutter while campaigning. When placing campaign signage, I will adhere to all germane regulations found in Chapter §21-26 "Signage and Outdoor Advertising" of the Sandy Land Development Code, including all regulations for temporary signs. By my own choice, I will not begin placing campaign signage until after I have formally filed as a candidate for office with the Sandy City Recorder. I will remove and collect all my campaign signs immediately upon the conclusion of the election.

**I SHALL** seek to ensure that those who work or otherwise volunteer on my campaign shall also adopt the aspirations declared in this pledge.

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I, the undersigned, candidate for election to public office in the State of Utah, hereby voluntarily endorse, subscribe to, and solemnly pledge myself to conduct my campaign in accordance with the above principles and practices."

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Office: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\*This is a voluntary pledge. Candidates are not required to sign this pledge of fair campaign practices.

\*This document is considered a public record and will be retained for public inspection until 30 days following the election.

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