

Office Sought: State Senator District 1

Name: Pamela Dawn Swartz

Occupation: Small Business Owner

## STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

I am your neighbor, not a politician. I am running to represent the North State because we need leaders in Sacramento who answer to us, instead of big-donor corporations. I'm fiercely loyal to our District, and will introduce creative policies to help our communities move into the future.

We are at a crossroads where cracks in our health care, fire resiliency, connectivity and education systems have been laid bare. We have a choice: will we continue to try to rework old systems, or will we work on bold solutions?

We need to get serious about managing our watersheds and forests, creating opportunities in new job sectors, providing affordable health care and housing, and improving schools and infrastructure. We need to use our leverage as the supplier of  $\frac{2}{3}$  of California residents' drinking water to get more support in Sacramento. I am a natural problem solver and will think outside the box to find solutions for our District.

I'm no stranger to hard work, having started and successfully maintained for 31 years a small skincare business, treating individuals with chronic acne. Many of you know me personally from my second job as a farrier, specializing in barefoot horse trimming. I also hold a degree in Forestry with an emphasis in Wildlife Management, which makes me the perfect fit for our rural District.

I share your values; I'm going to roll up my sleeves and stand up for what we need.

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