



- 1) Tell us why members of the Republican Party should vote for you to be their party's nominee for the 4th District position.
I have made the following pledge: If we are given a bill to vote on, if my staff and I are not able to read the bill first, I will vote no. In addition, every bill must pass my 3-part litmus test. If the bill fails any of the following, I will vote no.
 1. The bill must be Constitutional. It must fall within the enumerated powers of Congress to pass the bill on the subject matter. If it is not, and it is truly a States' rights or power, I will vote no.
 2. I will push for single issue bills. No more pork barrel spending. No more unrelated projects.
 3. Is the bill fiscally or socially conservative?

- 2) What special qualifications would you bring to the job? I have spent most of my career in the financial services industry. I understand the issues many Oregonians have faced. I have worked with clients building plans of action to put them on a path to freedom from debt, which I believe is transferable to the federal governments out of control spending. I have also helped clients save and invest for their financial futures. As a Realtor® I worked with clients to find the right home that would fit their budget and lifestyle or sell for the most the market would bear. I have also worked as a debt collector and understand what it is like when I hear someone say they cannot pay their bill because they lost their job and can barely feed their family. Finally, I can see challenges from multiple angles to come up with a solution. I have attached my resume'/bio.

- 3) What sets you apart from the other candidates seeking your party's nomination? I am steadfast in my core values. I am confident in who I am, and I resonate with voters. I take the time to listen to them and their concerns. Quite simply, I am a Main Street American. And I am 100% confident that I can, and I will defeat and displace DeFazio.

- 4) How would you rate President Trump's performance in office to date? I am very pleased with President Trump. He is not a typical politician. He is an American before anything else and wants the best for all Americans!

- 5) Do you believe the U.S. government's budgetary priorities are in order? No, they are not. Congress must return to the role of the federal government as listed in the U.S. Constitution. Both parties are at fault.
How would you change them? I will stand firm on the Constitution and the Oath of Office. I will remind my colleagues the role of the federal government is not to be all things to all people. It is to protect our nation from those who want to do us harm and destroy our Republic; government is to regulate commerce, not stifle it. And I will remind them they took an Oath to uphold and defend the Constitution.

- 6) What should the 4th District representative do to advance the interests of the district and Oregon in Congress? Follow the Constitution. Show the voters I am not a sell out to special interests who want to flood my campaign account with their money to buy my vote. Work to scale back the size of the federal government and make sure the citizens come before any special interest groups that want to take away jobs and our freedom.
- 7) The 4th District has been represented by Peter DeFazio since 1987. What makes you think you can defeat him? The voters are ready for a change. They are tired of long-term career politicians. Voters are looking for someone who is genuine and truly understands what Main Street Americans go through.
- 8) DeFazio's Republican opponent in the past four election cycles has been Art Robinson. Why do you believe you would be a better candidate for the GOP? Art has proven he does not know how to win. Art has stated himself, "We have not figured out the formula to beating DeFazio. But we are going to try." Art Robinson, June 2014 at the Oregon Republican Party state meeting. He has had his opportunity four times. It is time for a candidate that resonates with the voters to be the nominee on the Republican ticket. I am a better candidate because I know what it will take to Defeat and Displace DeFazio.
- 9) Name one or two members of Congress, or other political figures, that you particularly admire. Rep. Mark Meadows, Rep. Scott Perry
- 10) In your campaign, or as a member of Congress, are you hoping to focus public or congressional attention on a particular issue or set of issues?
I will be focusing on putting forth bills that will turn Congress back into a body of whose members are more concerned about following the Constitution, being of service than they are about what special interest groups they can appease. I will be focused on cutting back the duplicate agencies, programs, etc. I will focus on protection our great nation from illegal immigration and I will fight for the lives of the pre-born as well as the 2nd amendment.
- 11) Tell us what else the voters of your party ought to know about you.
I am quite simply a Main Street American. Married to my high school sweetheart, a carpet installation contractor. Mother of 2, grandmother to 14. Christian Constitutional Conservative. I am approachable, and I believe in honoring the right of others to have views different from mine. For more information, the website is <https://www.Perkins4Oregon.com> . Jo Rae Perkins, For Oregon, For America, For Such A Time As This.

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