HELLO, MY NAME IS JAMIE CORDARO. I'M RUNNING FOR LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT NUMBER 6 . MY COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT THROUGHOUT THE PAST 20 YEARS HAS INCLUDED:

THE MID VALLEY COMMUNITY POLICE COUNCIL

BLOCK CAPT. FOR NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

CURRENT MEMBER OF VAN NUYS AIRPORT ASSOC.

PAST PRESIDENT OF THE VAN NUYS ROTARY

PAST PRESIDENT OF THE SHERMAN OAKS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

CURRENT PRESIDENT OF THE INDEPENDENT ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS ASSOC. OF SO. CALIF.

CO-CHAIR OF THE COMMUNITY COURT PROGRAM

BOARD MEMBER OF MID-VALLEY YMCA

CURRENT PRESIDENT OF THE VAN NUYS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

REGARDING GANGS:

I WOULD WORK WITH THE CITY ATTORNEY AND POLICE CHIEF ON ENFORCEMENT OF THE GANG INJUNCTION. REGARDING NEIGHBORHOODS COUNCILS:

I BELIEVE THE VAN NUYS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL HAS BEEN MOST EFFECTIVE REGARDING COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT. WE'VE BEEN MOST SUCCESSFUL AT BRINGING CITY RESOURCES TO BEAR ON VALLEY PROBLEMS.

PARTICIPATORY DEMOCRACY:

WE, IN L.A. ARE BEING ALLOWED THE OPPORTUNITY TO BECOME ENGAGED IN THE DECISION MAKING PROCESS. WHAT I LIKE TO CALL OUR "GRAND EXPERIMENT IN PARTICIPATORY DEMOCRACY.

IN OTHER WORDS: PEOPLE HAVE THE ANSWER TO AND WILL TAKE OWNERSHIP OF THEIR OWN PROBLEMS EDUCATION IN L.A.: I BELIEVE OUR STUDENTS ARE BEING SHORT CHANGED BY THE SYSTEM. WHEN A STUDENT CAN ATTEND A TRADE SCHOOL FOR 6 MONTHS AND GET A JOB WITH A LIVING WAGE AT ANY CONSTRUCTION SITE IN L.A.

WHICH WOULD YOU CHOOSE FOR YOUR CHILD?

I BELIEVE A TRADE SCHOOL LOCATED IN THE VALLEY WOULD DO MORE TO ADVANCE THE NEEDS OF OUR STUDENTS AND THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE.

I WILL SECURE A VOCATIONAL EDUCATION SITE FOR YOUR CHILDREN.

ANIMAL SERVICES:

LOS ANGELES IS AT A CROSSROADS IN DEALING WITH OUR LOST AND DISCARDED ANIMAL COMPANIONS DUE TO SEVERE OVERPOPULATION. I WOULD WORK CLOSELY WITH ED BOKS OF ANIMAL SERVICES. HE IS A NATIONAL LEADER OF THE 'NO KILL' POLICY. I WOULD ABSOLUTELY SEE THAT POLICY IS PURSUED. WE MUST HAVE A FREE "SPAY AND NEUTER PROGRAM".

WE ALSO NEED TO DO A BETTER JOB OF TRAINING OUR COMMUNITY REGARDING PET OWNERSHIP.

GIVEN A CHANCE TO SERVE ON THESE AND MANY OTHER ISSUES THAT I HAVE TAKEN POSITIONS ON:

I AM WORKING TIRELESSLY IN OUR COMMUNITY. I CAN AND WILL PROVIDE PROVEN LEADERSHIP, INVOLVEMENT AND A COMMITMENT TO IMPROVE OUR QUALITY OF LIFE THROUGH THESE PROGRAMS.

I WANT YOUR VOTE.

WITH THAT VOTE I'M CONFIDENT THAT WE CAN, TOGETHER; MAKE LOS ANGELES A JEWEL IN THE CROWN THAT WE CALL AMERICA. THANK YOU.

GOD BLESS AMERICA.