

**Mid City WEST Community Council
Candidate Statement**

First Name: Ernest Last Name: Mauritson

All candidates have the option of submitting a Candidate Statement as part of their Candidate Filing Packet. Every candidate must adhere to the following guidelines when submitting a Candidate Statement:

- Must fit in the designated area below;
- Must not exceed 150 word count limit;
- Must be at least 12-point font (if typed);
- Must be submitted no later than April 13, 2010; and,
- May not include any pictures, profanity or comments about any other candidate.

Additionally, a candidate may submit translated version(s) of the original statement, which must comply with all aforementioned criteria. Candidate Statements will be posted on the City Clerk's website and at the polling place on Election Day.

I moved to the Los Angeles area from Northern California in 1976 to attend the University of Southern California and it has been my home ever since. While I have had the opportunity to experience this particular community many times during my years in Los Angeles, it wasn't until 1998, when I joined the A. F. Gilmore Company, owner of the Original Farmers Market, as its Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, that it became my home away from home. I have been, and will continue to be, committed to the Original Farmers Market and our local community.

I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT THE ABOVE STATEMENTS ARE TRUE AND CORRECT: