

West Hills Neighborhood Council
Candidate Statement

First Name: JOANNE Last Name: YVANEK-GARB

All candidates have the option of submitting a Candidate Statement as part of their Candidate Filling 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 February 1, 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.

Since being elected in October 2007, I have actively participated on the board and various committees: the SSMAC committee and Government Relations Committee. I'm a delegate to DWP Advisory Committee and the DWP Oversight Committee. I'm a representative to the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition Committee (LANCC) and Financial Advisory Committee to the Mayor's Budget Committee. I attend City Council meetings as well as Council Committee meetings addressing our community's issues.

A resident of West Hills for 12 years, we have 5 children ages 15 to 23 that attend LAUSD. I'm a Surrogate Parent and advocate for special needs children. For the past 20 years I've served as an Inspector for various State and City elections.

We believe strongly that our children need to learn how to participate in the community and they're at events volunteering their services. Our son Jacob is a Student Representative to the WHNC board.

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