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Seeking Position of: Oakland City Auditor

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1. If elected, what are your top priorities during your term? What would you like to accomplish and how would you go about doing so? Please be specific.

In the next four years, my focus will be on three main areas:

Public Safety

I will scrutinize the Oakland Police Department's finances to ensure that our streets are safer. I will also examine Oakland's disaster preparedness to ensure that services are available to us when we need them most.

Business Services

Oakland should be the easiest city in America to do business. This is why I will work to reform the outdated business processes that are driving away investment. Long lines, outdated systems, and confusing permit processes are a tax on Oakland's businesses that they cannot afford.

Residential Services

I will analyze Oakland's parking department to ensure tickets are being issued reasonably and fairly.

2. How have you in the past and how will you in the future use your position to expand the presence and influence of Asian Pacific Americans in public policy and politics?

As City Auditor, I am responsible for oversight and cannot originate legislation, the appropriation of funds, or the administration of enacted legislation. Therefore, I must maintain my objectivity and independence at all times. My mandated duties prohibit me from moving the agenda of any particular advocacy group forward. However, as an elected leader I am committed to ensuring that no biases or discrimination exist that would disenfranchise members of the APA community members within City government.

3. What have you done that demonstrates your commitment to and effectiveness in promoting Asian Pacific American interests in the following areas (and if you have not contributed in these areas, please discuss any area(s) in which you have made a contribution):

- Education
- Health Care
- Civil Rights

□ **Business**

I am limited in my role as City Auditor to effect policy. However, my work as the chief watchdog over Oakland's resources ensures that the City's policies drive effective and efficient delivery of services to the APA community and citizens as a whole.