

## **Michigan State Representative District 5**

### **2 Candidates on the November 6, 2018 ballot**

**Duties:** The Michigan Senate shares responsibility with the Michigan House of Representatives to enact new laws and amend or repeal existing laws.

**Qualifications:** State Senators may serve a maximum of two full terms. They must be at least 21 years of age and a registered voter in their district. There are 38 State Senate districts which are re-apportioned after each census.

**Term: 2 years Vote for ONE (1)**

### **DOROTHY PATTERSON, Republican**

Did Not Respond in Time for Inclusion

### **CYNTHIA A JOHNSON, Democrat**



**Facebook:** <http://www.facebook.com/cynthia.a.johnson.39>

**Occupation / Current Position:** Radio Talk Show Host--Not paid

**Education:** Graduated: Cody HS 1976 WCCC 1988 Walsh College 1992

**Qualifications / Experience:** Life's Experience and still learning Parole/Probation Agent Radio Talk Show Host

#### Questions:

**1. PRIORITIES: What are your top three state legislative priorities and how would you address them?**

**A:** 1) Auto and home owners insurance 2) Quality PUBLIC education 3) Repeal Right To Work, Emergency manager law, PA 212 residency law 1) Reach out to the insurance industry and the commission and work with all those who aren't bought by the insurance industry. 2) Work to put a cap on charters as long as taxpayers are picking up the tab, but my ultimate goal will be to vote on any legislation just support tax funding public school education only.

**2. EDUCATION: What measures do you support/propose to achieve improved educational outcomes and accessibility for Michigan students from early childhood through post-secondary education?**

**A:** Pay teachers a fair and livable wages. Offer parents to learn with their children in a small size classroom.

**3. ECONOMY: What policies do you support to increase jobs and help Michigan residents improve their economic positions?**

**A:** All marijuana convictions be dismissed taking the dark cloud from these unfair convictions which prohibit many job and license opportunities.

**4. ELECTIONS: What state policies do you support regarding campaign funding and voting rights?**

**A:** I support the disclosure of ALL campaign contributions, and NO tax payer dollars should ever be used. I do not support unlimited campaign contributions. Restoration of voting rights to all felons.

**5. ENVIRONMENT & ENERGY: What actions or policies do you support to protect Michigan's water, air and land for current and future generations, while meeting the state's energy needs? Explain how those actions or policies would affect the future of Enbridge Pipeline 5.**

**A:** Shut down the Enbridge Pipeline 5. I agree with the following statements: "Pipelines do not belong in the Straits of Mackinac, period," said Sean McBrearty, coordinator of Oil and Water Don't Mix, a coalition of nonprofit organizations, citizens and businesses opposed to oil continuing to flow through the underwater lines. "Our state's economy, tourism, and way of life revolves around keeping our Great Lakes in a pristine condition. There's simply too much at stake to keep Line 5 in operation."

**6. JUSTICE: What policies will you pursue to promote social and racial justice in our state?**

**A:** Work with, learn more, and fund social and racial justice programs.

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