

## **Michigan State Representative District 25**

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

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

**Qualifications:** State Representatives may serve a maximum of three full terms. They must be at least 21 years of age and a registered voter in their district. There are 110 State House districts which are re-apportioned after each census.

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

### **JAZMINE M EARLY, Republican**

Did Not Respond in Time for Inclusion

### **NATE SHANNON, Democrat**



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**Occupation / Current Position:** Teacher, L'Anse Creuse Public Schools Councilman, City of Sterling Heights

**Education:** B.A. Political Science, Oakland University M.A. Education, Wayne State University

**Qualifications / Experience:** My experience includes 10 years in education and 3 ½ on the Sterling Heights city council My qualification include a B.A in political science and an M.A. in secondary education. I have been an active volunteer for several political campaigns. I have been trained by the Michigan Municipal League at their Elected Officials Academy and several other classes related to municipal governing.

#### Questions:

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

**A:** Roads/Infrastructure Education Environmental Issues Michigan families need good roads to take our kids to school and get to work safely without blowing a tire of busting an axle. Our roads are more dangerous than ever. We need real solutions to fix our crumbling roads and bridges without forcing regular families to foot the bill for everything. Rebuilding our infrastructure will jump start our economy and create thousands of good paying jobs for working people right here in Michigan .

**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:** The key to a good job is a good education. Current policy in the Lansing has resulted in crowded classrooms that overemphasize standardized testing, and allow student to slip through the cracks and dropout or graduate unprepared. We are failing our kids and robbing them of opportunities to gain the skills necessary to compete in the 21st century economy. We need to ensure every student has a caring, qualified and committed teacher, and we need to prioritize education funding that allows educators more time to connect one-on-one with students to encourage critical thinking and creativity.

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

**A:** In Michigan, families should always come first. Whether it's a newborn baby, your elderly mom, or a spouse who's sick, everyone knows being there and providing for your family isn't optional. All working people should have a fair shot at the American dream, with the freedom to negotiate together for better jobs with strong paychecks, good benefits, a secure retirement, and more time to be with family. We must do everything we can to protect the things our families need, like Social Security and Medicare, paid family leave, affordable child care, and great public schools for our kids.

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

**A:** Michigan is supposed to work for we the people, not just the wealthy and powerful. It is time to get money out of politics and expand our voting freedoms to ensure every American has their voice heard and their vote counted in our elections, regardless of party.

**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:** As Michiganders, we all share a special responsibility to protect the Great Lakes, because our economy, tourism and industry, and our families' health all rely on clean water. Every parent should be able to turn on the tap and know the water they're giving their kids is safe to drink. But polluters have used their money and influence in Lansing to manipulate the rules in their favor by weakening protections for the Great Lakes and slashing funding for programs that ensure clean and safe water for Michigan families. We need to work together to create a better balance between good paying jobs and a sustainable future for our environment. That means restoring protections to the Great lakes shoreline, preventing the spread of invasive species like Asian Carp, and requiring polluters to pay for the disasters they create.

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

**A:** I think these issues can be helped by making sure we have great public schools, affordable housing, access to mass transit and accessible college and training so that people can participate in the economy in a meaningful way.

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