

**United States House of Representatives 2 Year Term - Vote for One (1)**

Candidates were asked to summarize their backgrounds in 75 words and were allotted 75 words to answer each question. If the candidate did not reply by the required date for publication, the words, "Did not respond in time for publication" appear under the candidate's name.

**QUESTION 1**

What should the federal government do, if anything, to ensure that every American has health coverage? (75 words)

**QUESTION 2**

What should be done, if anything, at the federal level to reduce our use of and dependence on fossil fuels? (75 words)

**QUESTION 3**

What measures would you support at the federal level that would help our Michigan economy? (75 words)

**★★★ District 11 ★★★**

**Thaddeus G. McCotter  
Republican**

Did not respond in time for publication

**Joseph W. Larkin, Democrat**

Attorney for twenty years, graduating from U of M Law School. Further biographical information is on my website: Larkinleadership.com. Owned my own law firm for the last 19 years, from which I have learned how businesses, individuals, and families are suffering economically and my focus will be on the economy and creating jobs for AMERICANS. I was raised Catholic (member St Edith Catholic Church, Livonia, most of my life). Christian values are also an important quality I...

Universal healthcare is an increasingly important option: 1) for corporate America to be competitive in the global marketplace; 2) when the number of uninsured persons is increasing yearly due to a poor economy. The cost of health insurance to US automakers adds significantly to the price of each car, thus making our automakers less competitive globally. The details of universal healthcare are where disagreements will arise - from funding to implementation - debate must begin!

Aggressive investment in alternative energy to break dependence on foreign oil, fight high gas prices, create American jobs, and stimulate the economy. Create a "Manhattan Project" type organization devoted to scientific study and research of alternative energy, conservation, and increased fuel efficiency. Take all other logical, cost effective, and environmentally sound alternatives (e.g. nuclear could be a possibility). Use some form of carbon emissions limitations system. See Larkinleadership.com for more details.

1) Aggressive investment in alternative energy to fight high gas prices, create American jobs, and stimulate the US economy. 2) Responsibly redeploy from Iraq to save \$100 billion or more per year to help our own economy. 3) Create and maintain American jobs in every way possible, e.g., renegotiate trade agreements like NAFTA, focus on fair trade-not just free trade, change trade policies with China. 4) Help Big 3 to retool to make next generation cars...

**John J. Tatar, Libertarian**

Mr. Tatar has a son, John, captain in the air force and a daughter, Carrie, at WSU/PhD program. He graduated from WSU with a BS, MS in Education. Retired from the Livonia Public Schools with 31 years teaching English, social studies, industrial arts, home construction, building trades, building maintenance, and drafting, technical lab., woods, American history, and government. Mr. Tatar is also a retired Lieutenant Colonel from the USAF W/31 years of service.

Government should not get involved with health care. Social Security is one example of the many dismal failures of programs administered by government. Many want to privatize. The government must guarantee a free and competitive health care market and remove the strangle hold of the AMA, and Drug companies. Allow alternative medicine, vitamins and minerals to be on par, working for a health care not sick care insurance. Let the consumer make the choice.

The federal government should stay out of the economy. There should not be an incentive for or a tax policy against what kind of cars the people drive. The choice should be determined by the free market.

Remove all federal regulations from the top to the bottom. Let Michigan decide what is best for Michigan. Federal government needs to get out of education, and block grants etc. and let Michigan flourish. We have to quit sending money to Washington and keep it in Michigan. We need government out of regulating the people's lives and businesses and give it back to the people.

**Erik Shelley, Green**

No Biography



Policy decisions must be made with respect to the health needs of Americans rather than what will best protect the profits of insurance companies. People who do not have medical insurance do not stop getting sick. They wait until their health concerns become so serious that they need to seek the most expensive care in the emergency room. Good decisions must be based on the truth, not what we want the truth to be.

Impeach President George W. Bush before the 2008 elections. We can not make appropriate policy decisions if the oil industry is allowed to influence the Executive branch and evidence of the global impact of carbon based energy sources is manipulated. Good decisions must be based on the truth, not what we want the truth to be.

Impeach President George W. Bush before the 2008 elections. If he is not held accountable for his use of no-bid and "cost plus" contracts, we can expect to see this practice continue in future administrations. We can not seriously talk about continuing tax cuts when our nation is so deeply in debt, and the Michigan economy, like so many others, will suffer if fraud and abuse are so tolerated.

**Tuesday, November 4**

**Take A Friend to Vote**