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Candidate's Statement of Qualifications

CITY OF: Member of the City Council _____
OFFICE SOUGHT: Councilmember _____
WARD/DISTRICT #: 5 _____ (if applicable)

NAME: ROBERT PEQUENO

AGE:
(Optional)

OCCUPATION: LAKE FOREST CITY COUNCILMEMBER

My wife and I have lived in Lake Forest for 35 years. We raised our children here, and they attended Saddleback Valley Unified School District schools. I've been honored to serve our Country, Orange County, and Lake Forest.

In the United States Marine Corps I was the acting Sergeant Major for the advance party in Operation Iraqi Freedom. I was decorated 13 times before retiring in 2004. I was an Orange County Sheriff's Sergeant and Orange County's first-ever Homeless Liaison Officer, bringing innovative solutions to homelessness right here in Lake Forest. As Lake Forest's former Mayor and your current Lake Forest Councilmember, I've delivered results for you these past four years:

- \$4 million budget surplus and fully funded budget reserve
- Clean Lake Forest beautification program
- Authorized construction of affordable senior citizen housing
- Hundreds of sidewalks repaired
- El Toro Park playground resurfacing
- Veterans Park flagpole
- New audible pedestrian signals throughout District 5

I've also volunteered as Vice President of Saddleback Pop Warner, Chief Umpire of Saddleback Little League, and Vice President of El Toro High School Wrestling Booster Club. If you re-elect me to represent our community on Lake Forest's City Council, I will continue to fight for you:

- Protect Lake Forest from dangerous criminals
- Address homelessness with both services and enforcement
- Ensure District 5 gets our fair share of city services and projects

I would be honored to have your vote.

INSTRUCTIONS: (Elections Code § 13307)
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Date 8-1-24



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