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I have been active in politics since 1964 when I supported Barry Goldwater. After that I became active in the American Party until 1980. In 1972, I ran for State Representative and won about 3 ½ % of the vote. In 1980 I discovered Ed Clark and I became a Libertarian Party member and since 1988 a life member. I have attended all national conventions since 1987 and all but two state conventions during the last 25 years. From 1988 to 2003 I was Northeast Region Representative on the Executive Committee. From 1989 to 1992 I was State Secretary and from 2003 to 2008 I was either Region Chairman or Region Representative except for a few months. From 2008 to 2010, I was a member of the State Central Committee. This year I became Chairman of the Libertarian Party of Cuyahoga County.

In 2008 I ran for Congress O'Neill and, despite the late start and paucity of funds and volunteers, won 2.94% of the vote and a total of 9511 votes. One of the highlights of the campaign was my appearance at the City Club of Cleveland, which lived up to its motto, The Citadel of Free Speech. You can see my appearance at City Club Macko on Youtube.

This year, the City Club did not invite alternate candidates to debate. I urge all of you to email them or call 888-223-6786 to suggest a new motto, The Dung Heap of the Two Party Duopoly.

I will never vote to raise taxes or any fees or to impose new taxes or fees. I fully support the Libertarian Party of Ohio Budget proposal for 2011. I want to repeal all state and local income taxes and property taxes, which are communistic in nature, as well as reduce the state sales tax to no more than three percent.

We can achieve these goals within two years by eliminating welfare to corporations, unwed mothers and everyone else and phasing out the 'public' or government school system in three years so that the parents and children of Ohio can be free. Government schools were promoted by autocrats such as Frederick the Great and Karl Marx.

My primary purpose in running is to reduce the government of Ohio to its only legitimate function, the protection of life, liberty and property of innocent people. To do this in as moderate a way as possible, against the greatest enemy of liberty, the federal government, while trying to avoid resorting to the drastic measures, we must utilize the tool of nullification. This constitutional means of protecting liberty against the threat of the Alien and Sedition Acts was devised by Thomas Jefferson and James Madison in 1798 through the Virginia and Kentucky Resolutions. A vitally important book, *Nullification; How To Resist Federal Tyranny in the 21st Century*, should be required reading for all state candidates and I recommend it to all citizens, especially libertarians, who want to restore our liberties.

If I am elected, among other unconstitutional laws and court rulings, I will vote to nullify Obamacare and all other socialized medicine laws, the obscenely misnamed USA PATRIOT Act, the Military Commissions Act, the repeal of Posse Comitatus and all other Bush police state laws which Obama has intensified, all federal gun laws, the FBI, CIA, the Roe vs. Wade court decree so that the issue of abortion murder should be decided by the sovereign states and, of course, all federal drug laws.

In Ohio, I will vote to abolish all gun laws, all drug laws and all licensing; of doctors, nurses, drivers, plumbers, barbers and everyone else. A license is permission to do something which is otherwise illegal. The right to keep and bear arms is the basis of our right to defend ourselves against private criminals and government tyrants. Ohio needs a Vermont style law which allows any honest citizen to possess weapons, concealed or openly, without any test, license or other restriction. All federal gun laws should be repealed by Congress or nullified by a Libertarian state legislature. Anything less will not restore our liberty.

The education issue is vitally important to restoring our liberty. Read John Taylor Gatto at www.LewRockwell.com. Samuel Blumenfeld's books, especially *Is Public Education Necessary?* are very enlightening as is the site of the Alliance for the Separation of School and State www.sepschool.org.

The repeal of state and local income taxes and all property taxes and refusal of all federal 'aid' will make local government agencies subject to the control of local taxpayers. All jurors should be informed that they have the right to judge the law as well as the case. See www.fija.org.

Drug laws are a manifestation of the theory that you and your body belong to the state. There were no drug laws in the United States until the Harrison Act of 1914. Marijuana was legal until 1937. Can anyone rationally maintain that the drug laws have not caused immeasurable harm by creating criminal gangs and an excuse for establishment of police state measures? They are entirely without constitutional justification. They should be repealed tomorrow.

Marriage licensing should be repealed. In a free and just society, marriage should be a voluntary contract among adult participants and God, if they are believers. Government should have no participation except to uphold voluntary contracts.

I favor the restoration of paper ballots, manually counted, with the results published at the polls. Instant runoff voting will put an end to the old canard about 'throwing your vote away' and guarantee that there will be no rule by minority. See www.instantrunoff.com. All laws which hinder alternate parties and independent candidates, including restrictions on donations and campaign reporting laws, should be abolished.

I support local self-rule except where it encroaches on the rights of citizens.

If elected, I would ratify the following constitutional amendments. The Liberty Amendment would require the fedgov to sell all land and other properties it holds without constitutional justification within three years, end the federal income tax and repeal the 16th Amendment. www.libertyamendment.com. Repeal of the 17th Amendment to restore election of US Senators to the state legislature would restore state sovereignty. I support the Bricker Amendment to clarify that treaties do not supercede the Constitution. I also favor this amendment:

Congress shall make no law that applies to the citizens of the United States that does not apply equally to the Senators and/or Representatives; and, Congress shall make no law that applies to the Senators and/or Representatives that does not apply equally to the citizens of the United States.

If the 14th Amendment is ever submitted legally to the states for ratification, I will vote against ratifying it since its alleged (actually illegal) ratification in 1868 gave the fedgov the excuse for nearly all of its unconstitutionally exercised powers. See Congressional Record-House Pages 15641-15646 June 13, 1967, The Illegal Fourteenth by Dan Smoot <http://www.mackofcongress.com/webpage/7> and [webpage/18](http://www.mackofcongress.com/webpage/18) and There is No "Fourteenth Amendment"! by David Lawrence <http://www.constitution.org/14ll/no14th.htm>

Perhaps the best brief solution is; "Repeal the 20th Century and this one, too." I hope that those of you in this area will volunteer to support me. Contact dmacko@roadrunner.com or 440-248-8620. See www.mackofliberty.com.