

ACLU OF RHODE ISLAND CANDIDATE SURVEY 2022

GOVERNOR

Thank you in advance for participating in our candidate survey. Please respond to the 13 questions below. If you wish to offer explanatory comments to any of the questions, space is available at the end of this questionnaire. If you would like clarification about the ACLU's position on any of these issues, we encourage you to contact our office or visit our web site at www.riaclu.org for more information.

*You can return the survey by email to riaclu@riaclu.org, by fax to (401) 831-7175, or by mail to ACLU of RI - 128 Dorrance St., Suite 400 - Providence, RI 02903. **Please return by Monday, August 15, 2022.***

Name _____ Nellie M. Gorbea _____

1. Do you support passage of the Equality in Abortion Coverage Act, which would provide Medicaid funding and state employee health insurance coverage for abortion?

YES ___X___ NO _____

2. Do you support a state constitutional amendment that would establish a legal right to an adequate, equitable and meaningful public education?

YES ___X___ NO _____

3. Do you support repeal of the state's photo "Voter ID" law?

YES ___X___ NO _____

4. Do you support requiring a fiscal impact statement for any legislation that establishes new criminal offenses or increases prison sentences for existing criminal offenses?

YES ___X___ NO _____

5. Do you support passage of legislation eliminating the sentence of life imprisonment without the possibility of parole?

YES ___X___ NO _____

6. Do you support reinstatement of a law mandating that police collect data on traffic stops and searches and having an independent analysis of that data to examine racial disparities?

YES NO

7. Do you support the reduction of state funding for school resource officers and a focus instead on increased counseling and mental health support services in schools?

YES NO

8. Do you support the passage of legislation that would ban, except in very limited circumstances, the use of out-of-school suspensions on elementary school students?

YES NO

9. Do you support the passage of legislation that would set limits on the use of “automated license plate reader” surveillance technology by law enforcement?

YES NO

10. Do you support the passage of legislation that would generally bar school administrators from accessing the camera and microphone of school-loaned computers when students are outside of school?

YES NO

11. Do you believe businesses should have the right to refuse goods or services to the public on religious grounds if it conflicts with state anti-discrimination laws?

YES NO

12. Please note any police reform legislation you would actively support.

This will depend on the legislation proposed. I do support efforts to modernize the professional development and accountability of our police officers. Issues of racial disparity still plague our judicial system and need to be addressed from the police to the courts and beyond. I also believe that new models for public safety that take greater inclusion by the

community are necessary to help address racial and economic disparities in the implementation of laws.

13. Please indicate any ways you would use your role as Governor to promote civil rights and civil liberties.

One of my biggest roles as Governor is to assure the accountability and efficiency of government. I'm running for Governor so that our economy can grow by making government work for people. Protecting civil rights and liberties is a key action for the Governor. I welcome the opportunity discuss ways in which you at ACLURI see ways for me as governor to protect civil liberties and civil rights.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

For nearly 30 years in my community advocacy and leadership in Rhode Island I have worked with the ACLU of RI to promote civil rights and liberties. My first work in this area was serving alongside the ACLU-RI in the Motor Voter Task Force at the RI Board of Elections in 1996. As a leader in the Latinx community, I frequently also worked with the ACLU-RI. Now as Secretary of State, I have been able to work from the government side on promoting civil rights and liberties- ensuring transparency and accountability in government, protecting voting rights and expanding access to voting – even during a pandemic. Given my past track record, you have a high degree of certainty that I would do this work again from the position of Governor. It is on the basis of that experience and my work that I seek the ACLU – RI's endorsement.