Town of North Topsail Beach

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CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

April 12, 2019

The residents, property-owners, and visitors of the Town of North Topsail Beach try to be engaged in local, state and national politics. They are also keen on the needs of the Town and the surrounding communities. Because of this involvement, they have composed several questions that they would like you to answer concerning the needs of the beaches and eastern North Carolina. The answers you provide will be disseminated to your constituents to help them make a more informed decision when it comes to their choice for the next congressman or congresswoman from the 3rd District.

1- What is your familiarity with issues affecting beaches?

I am very aware of beach nourishment programs, hurricane preparedness issues, marine wildlife protection and the need for coastal communities to protect their coastlines.

2- Have you ever proposed/voted for legislation having a direct impact on North Topsail Beach or another coastal community? If so, what was the legislation?

I support and propose that funding to all coastal communities be appropriated directly to the communities and not allocated through non-profit or private organizations that often take a percentage of funding as commission.

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3- What is your knowledge of CBRA issues on North Topsail beach and any bills proposed in Congress?

Since 1982, the CBRA has served a valuable purpose, however, I would support amending it to allow coastal communities to optout if voters approved by referendum and thus make them eligible for federal economic and residential development funding.

4- Are you in favor of hardened structures being built to combat erosion?

Only if local consent is given.

5- To what degree do you see the beaches in Onslow County and specifically North Topsail Beach as a benefit to North Carolina's tourism industry?

Essential. Maintaining a strong beach tourism industry has significant economic impact on Eastern North Carolina but also has a strong cultural impact for our community.

6- In turn what do you see as the responsibility of the local, state and federal government in maintaining this coastline?

I believe that a partnership of all three, as well as inclusion of private entities, should be responsible for maintenance.

Please email completed responses back by Thursday April 18, 2019 to info@ntbnc.org.