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**Q1** Candidate Information

Candidate Name: **Mark Stone**  
Email:  
Phone:  
Website: **www.friendsofmarkstone.org**  
Do you identify as LGBTIQ? **No**  
Are you a GLBT Alliance member? **No**  
Office you seek to be elected to: **Assembly District 29**

**Q2** Please choose the option best describing your candidacy: **Incumbent**

**Q3** Please describe your qualifications for the elected position you seek. Include your main issues, priorities if elected, key endorsements, plus anything else that you'd like our members to know about you and your candidacy.

I am seeking my fourth term. My priorities remain our most vulnerable Californians, whether at risk youth, incarcerated youth, foster kids, the poor or LGBTIQ.

**Q4** Why are you seeking the endorsement of Santa Cruz County's grassroots LGBTIQ political organization, the GLBT Alliance?

We have always been allied and I would like to continue the partnership.

**Q5** Please tell us about any past or current experiences or involvement you've had addressing LGBTIQ issues or work you've done to support the LGBTIQ community.

I have done several bills to eliminate discrimination against the LGBTIQ community and gender neutral bills.

**Q6** What historic political or civil rights struggles are you familiar with that impact LGBTIQ equality?

There are a number about equality, acceptance, anti-discrimination and de-criminalization.

**Q7** What is your philosophy about working with minority communities of which you are not a member, and how will this manifest in your future work with the LGBTIQ community?

Most of the policy work that I do is for communities without a voice in the political process: youth, the poor, disadvantaged communities, social and environmental justice, and the LGBTIQ community.

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**Q8** Please describe any programs you know of that impact the LGBTIQ community and that are governed by or funded through the elected office you are running for? Include any suggestions you may have for improving these programs.

Most state programs effect the LGBTIQ community, whether health, human services or mental health. They each need different levels of attention. I primarily work int he human services area on issues affecting kids at risk.

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**Q9** If elected, how would you use your position to help further issues of importance to the LGBTIQ community?

I will continue to do what I have done in the legislature since 2012.

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**Q10** If you receive the GLBT Alliance's endorsement, will you display it in your campaign literature?

**Yes, please send me the GLBT Alliance's logo (jpg file) so I can proudly announce the endorsement on my campaign literature, social media and website!**

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