80-20 Ohio Chapters' Questionnaire

As you may know, the State of Ohio has four 80-20 chapters representing the interests of Asian Americans. These four chapters are part of the parent (national) organization, 80-20 Initiative: <u>http://www.80-20initiative.net/</u>. The official names of our organizations are: 80-20 Northwest (NW) Ohio Chapter in Toledo and Bowling Green (<u>http://www.80-20initiative.net/about/chapters_oh.asp</u>); 80-20 Southwest (SW) Ohio Chapter in Dayton and Cincinnati; 80-20 Northeast (NE) Ohio Chapter in Cleveland and Akron; and 80-20 Central Ohio Chapter in Columbus and Athens.

The collective objective of our Ohio chapters is the same as that of our parent (national) organization, 80-20 Initiative: <u>http://www.80-20initiative.net/</u>, which is to win equal justice and opportunity for all Asian Americans. In addition, 80-20 Ohio chapters take politics down to the State and regional levels, seeking to remove any political and institutional barriers that prevent Asian Americans in Ohio from receiving and enjoying the full justice and equality to which all Americans are entitled.

1. If you are elected to be **the US Senator from Ohio** this year, will you promote and ensure equal opportunities and equal justice for Asian Americans, and protect Asian-American rights (including fighting against discrimination or racism against Asian Americans in Ohio and nationally)?

____X___Yes _____No

I am the author of Ohio's hate crime law, which increases the punishment for those who commit crimes against anyone for ethnic or racial reasons, which includes Asian Americans.

2. If elected, will you make it a top priority of your office to solicit and recommend to the appropriate appointing authorities qualified Asian Americans for executive and judicial appointments, and report back to 80-20 and other Ohio Asian-American organizations, at the end of each year you serve in office, your progress with such recommendations for appointments?

____X___Yes _____No

3. If elected, will you make it a top priority of your office to break down barriers for hiring, promotion, and/or appointment of more qualified Asian Americans for government employment?

- <u>X</u> Yes ____ No

4. If elected, will you endeavor actively to enforce existing laws that require fair and open contract opportunities for Asian-American businesses?

__X___Yes _____No

5. If elected, will you make it a top priority of your office to provide equal opportunity for hiring and/or promotion of qualified Asian-Americans at all levels of your legislative staff and also encourage other organizations and institutions to hire and/or promote qualified Asian American employees to executive and senior administrative or senior-managerial levels, thus breaking the glass ceiling for such Americans?

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