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Candidate Name	Larry Phillips
Position sought	King County Executive
Residence Legislative,	State Legislative District: 36
County Council and	King County Council District: 4
Congressional district	Federal Congressional District: 7
Are you a Democrat?	YES.
Are you known as a	YES. I am an elected Democratic PCO (36-1661), and a declared
Democrat?	and known Democrat.
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Candidate Background: Community service, education, employment and other relevant experience.

Describe your qualifications, education, employment, community and civic activity, Union affiliation and other relevant experience.

I was born and raised in Seattle's Rainier Valley/Mt. Baker neighborhoods, and am proud to

call King County my lifelong home. I grew up hiking, camping and fishing in the Cascades,

earning an Eagle Scout award along the way, attending Seattle Public Schools, swimming in

Lake Washington, and playing varsity basketball for Queen Anne High School.

After earning a B.A. from the University of Washington in Political Science, and a law degree

from Willamette University, I went to work as a legislative aide for U.S. Senator Henry

"Scoop" Jackson. While working for Scoop, I earned a Masters degree in labor law from

George Washington University.

In 1981, I returned home to manage Randy Revelle's successful Democratic campaign for King County Executive and then became an integral member of his Executive Office staff, working as his Chief of Staff, serving in that capacity until 1986. Following my time in the Revelle administration, I served as the executive director of a well known local law firm, Shidler, McBroom, Gates and Lucas. In both positions, I served in an Executive capacity, hiring qualified professionals and holding them accountable to get things done. This Executive experience, both inside and outside county government, sets me apart from my opponents, preparing me to be your next King County Executive.

In 1988, I was elected by the voters of the 36th legislative district to represent them in the Washington State House of Representatives. As a legislator, I successfully fought for lower class sizes and better funding for education. I also was a prime sponsor of the state's Growth Management Act to rein in urban sprawl. I also successfully sponsored oil spill prevention legislation, supported and voted for the Regional Transit Authority to bring a light rail transit system to King County and the region, and voted for Governor Booth Gardner's state income tax legislation as a member of the House Revenue Committee. We

didn't just talk about it, or hype a "blue ribbon" commission to study it, we actually moved

tax reform legislation containing a state income tax. My opponents have never done this.

After winning two terms in the legislature, the voters of King County Council District Four elected me to serve them on the Metropolitan King County Council. As a councilmember, I have championed open space and natural resource protection, expanded local and regional parks and trails, led salmon recovery efforts, and fought for mass transit implementation and expansion. For these leadership efforts and accomplishments, I was recognized by the Municipal league in 2001 as their "Public Official of the Year."

In 2003, I was elected Chair of the King County Council and served three years in this leadership role. I am the only Councilmember in the history of the County Council to be elected by his colleagues to serve three successive years in that capacity. I have served as the chair of the council's budget committee four times, and despite intense budget pressures, I have made funding for human services, public health and public safety services top priorities each time. Despite these tough choices being made in a "budget crisis" atmosphere, my budgets passed unanimously each time and were signed into law by the Executive.

I serve on many local boards, including Sound Transit, the Evergreen Forest Trust, 4Culture, the Greater Lake Washington (WRIA 8) Salmon Recovery Council, the Cedar River Council,

and the Henry M. Jackson Foundation. I am the National Co-Chair for Climate Communities,

a national alliance of locally elected officials who work to secure Congressional status and funding for local governments through federal climate change initiatives and legislation, like Cap and Trade. I have also been a member of the regional Growth Management Planning Council, the Seattle Center Advisory Board, and the Puget Sound Water Quality Authority.

My candidacy for King County Executive has been endorsed by the Washington State Council of County and City Employees, and Carpenters Local No. 1797, and the Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 587 (Metro bus drivers). My wife Gail has been a member of the Association of Flight Attendants for 32 years.

What ratings and endorsements have you received?					
Legislative District Last election (2007): King County Democrats Central Committee,					
Democrats	33rd District Democrats, 36th District Democrats, 37th District				
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	Democrats, 43rd District Democrats, 46th District Democrats,				
	Metropolitan Democratic Club, King County Young Democrats				
Union Endorsement	Current election : Carpenters Local Union 1797, the Washington				
	State Council of County and City Employees (AFSCME Council 2),				
	and Amalgamated Transit Union Local 587.				
	Last election (2007): King County Labor Council, Aerospace				
	Machinists Industrial District Lodge 75, Retired Public Employees				
	Council of Washington State, SEIU Local 6, SEIU 775, UNITE HERE				
	Local 8, IBEW Local 46, Corrections Guild Local #1350, King				
	County Juvenile Detention Guild, Joint Council of Teamsters, Local				
	#28, Public Safety Employment SEIU Local #519, United				
	Brotherhood of Carpenters, Local #1797, and Boilermakers and				
	Pipefitters UA 32				
Municipal League	Named Municipal League Public Official of the Year in 2001; I have				
Mullepar League	received "Outstanding" and "Very Good" ratings in past elections.				
SEAMEC	Last election (2007): SEAMEC highest rating: 5, SEAMEC straight				
	"A's" on interview questions				
Other Endorsements	Current election: I have already been endorsed by more than				
	1,000 individuals, dozens of elected officials and Democratic Party				
	leaders, and many organizations. The partial list of supporters is				
	attached and a full list is available at www.larryphillips.com				
	Last election (2007): Washington Conservation Voters,				
	Recommended by the King County Women's Political Caucus,				
	Allied Arts, The Seattle Post-Intelligencer				

Which groups do you plan to ask for an endorsement?

I will ask for the endorsement of King County Legislative District Democrats, the King

County Democrats Central Committee, the King County Labor Council, individual labor

unions, "good government groups," Chambers of Commerce, business associations, and

community organizations.

Please answer the following questions*			No	Qualified
1	Do you support the King County Democratic Platform?	x		
2	Do you support the right of workers (excluding military) to bargain and strike?	x		
3	Do you support affirmative action?	х		
4	Do you support freedom of choice in contraception, abortion and sterilization?	x		
5	Do you support public funding for abortions for poor women?	х		
6	Do you support school vouchers? Do you support charter schools?		х	
7	Do you support the Davis-Bacon Act?	x		
8	Do you support equal rights for women?	x		
9	Do you support major changes in the way we live to help stop global warming?	x		
10	Do you support the restoration of voting rights to persons convicted of a felony who have served their sentence?	x		

Please answer the following questions *		Yes*	No
1	Have you ever failed to pay any taxes or court ordered judgments?		x
2	Have you ever been found in violation of a Public Disclosure Commission,	x	
	Federal Election Commission or Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission		
	regulation?		
3	Have you ever been convicted of a felony?		x

* If you answered "Yes" or "Qualified" please explain your answer.

Over 10 years ago, one of my staff members mistakenly used a government fax machine to

send a required but routine report to the Public Disclosure Commission. I took

responsibility for her action, apologized for her error in judgment, paid the associated \$50

fine, and took steps to ensure it did not happen again. It has never happened again.

Are you a member of another political party? If so, which ones? Have you ever supported or given money to a candidate from another party in a partisan race? If so, whom?

No, I have never been a member of a political party other than the Democratic Party. I have

never endorsed a candidate from another political party, nor given money to support such

a candidate in an active partisan race.

Are you a member of your local Democratic District Party? Have you contributed financially to any Democratic Organization? Have you been a Precinct Committee Officer? When/Where?

Yes. I have been an elected PCO (36-1661) for more than 25 years and a member of the

36th District Democrats since 1981. I host annual fundraisers for the 36th District at my

home, and make contributions to Democratic candidates and organizations on a regular

basis. I have repeatedly doorbelled the precincts of the 4th Council and 36th Legislative

Districts, and even called on my college-age son to join me in Columbus, Ohio, in October,

2004 to do "grassroots" Get Out the Vote work to defeat Bush/Cheney.

What are the main messages of your campaign? What is your campaign plan? How many doors have you knocked on to date, pieces of mail planned, budgeting, staffing? What is the fundraising goal for your campaign? How much have you raised to date? Why will you win?

As King County Executive, I will lead King County to create more family-wage jobs through

development of regional infrastructure projects, to protect basic, core services like public

health, public safety, transit, and human services despite our tough budget circumstances,

and to protect our environment and natural resources.

The basics of my campaign plan are to fund a well-organized countywide campaign, to

spread well-crafted messages to motivate my political base and aligned voters, and to target undecided voters all across King County with my message of hope, experience, vision and bold action for King County in these challenging times.

While I have yet to begin doorbelling, since March, we have been hosting phonebanks at our campaign HQ and meeting with grassroots Democrats all over King County and inviting them to join our campaign. Thus far, more than 100 Democratic PCOs and executive board members have signed up in support. This core group forms the foundation of what I see to be a very strong field campaign. We intend to send several pieces of direct mail as the primary approaches.

Our initial campaign budget is \$750,000. As of March 31st, we have raised \$216,000 (PDC Report) and nearly \$240,000 as of mid-April.

I will win because my executive and management experience in both the public and private sectors and my vision for King County's future make me the best qualified candidate to lead our region through these difficult times. I know what initiatives in King County work, how to hire and motivate people to support them, and how to successfully implement them once adopted. But I also know what needs to change, and am the only candidate with Page 8 of 20 Rev New

significant knowledge of county government and our region to make the changes King

County needs.

What are the single most pressing issues facing your jurisdiction? What actions would you take if elected?

Elected leaders at all levels must move immediately to strengthen our economy. As King County Executive, I will lead King County in becoming not just an effective partner in revitalized economic development, but a champion for job creation. There is great opportunity for this through construction of regional infrastructure, including improvements to transit, roads, bridges, and public works projects like Brightwater Wastewater Treatment Plant. Each will create thousands of family-wage jobs for hard working men and women, many attracting major federal and state stimulus funds, and lay a foundation for economic recovery, a strong future for local economic development, and infrastructure investments to be used for generations to come. Further, I will move to stabilize local and regional government services – something critical in these times of economic uncertainty for King County's citizens.

If you are a candidate in a contested primary race, what record of performance, ability, experience, personal qualities, and positions on issues distinguish you from your opponent(s)? If you do not receive the nomination, is there any reason you could not support your Democratic opponent in the general election? Please explain.

I have a depth and breadth of executive and administrative experience, and knowledge of county government far superior to my opponents and fundamental to effectively being King County Executive. This knowledge and executive experience is critical for every issue

of local and regional importance to Democrats, whether that be support for working

families or environmental protection, health and human services, criminal justice reform, transit and light rail enhancements, or budgetary and revenue reforms.

While I respect my opponents, I do not believe they can provide immediately the regional leadership necessary to meet the challenges facing King County. I have a long history of working with diverse people, governments and organizations all across King County. As a Sound Transit Boardmember, founder of the Greater Lake Washington Salmon Recovery Council, the Cedar River Council, and the Evergreen Forest Trust, and as national co-chair for Climate Communities, I have fought for effective solutions to some of our most vexing transportation, land use, and natural resource protection challenges. As a member of the Henry M. Jackson Foundation, I have been committed to the cause of human rights across the globe. And as a member of 4Culture, I have consistently fought for arts, entertainment and historic preservation opportunities for all residents of King County.

I have also had the backbone, both as a State Legislator and as a Councilmember, to effectively fight entrenched and powerful special interests, like the Building Industry Association of Washington (BIAW), special interest developers, the highway lobby, and oil companies. I also understand, however, that effective leadership means inviting constructive participants to have a voice and a seat at the table to resolve difficult issues. Page 10 of 20 Rev New

This is important because, even when interests disagree, effective communication and

collaboration can overcome divisions and difficulties, creating solutions for our region. As Executive, I will pursue a track record of solutions of which Democrats can be proud.

Another distinguishing characteristic is my ability to represent the values of King County residents. I supported I–937, bringing more renewable energy to our state, not its repeal. I support the Homeowners' Bill of Rights, bringing assurances that builders will stand behind their work for several years; if a defect is discovered in a new home, homeowners can know that the builder will be back to fix it. One of my opponents took money from the BIAW and voted against the bill. Also, I have been a tireless advocate for transit and light rail, fighting to get it built and expanded, and fighting against those who would delay and diminish the state's commitment to fund Sound Transit's light rail system consistent with the timetable established by the voters. One of my opponents has sought to delay building light rail across I–90, thwarting the will of the people.

I have over a decade of support for the Housing Opportunity Fund—a partnership for affordable housing. I have 20 years of proven track record protecting open space, managing growth, conserving watersheds and building parks for future generations.

Do you believe the current structure of taxes and/or fees that generate funds in your area are fair? If not, how would you change it?

I believe, and have for many years, that our current tax structure in the State of

Washington is fundamentally unfair. Washington State, and especially King County, relies far too heavily on property taxes and sales tax--a patently regressive tax—for revenue. The state needs to broaden its tax base, wean itself off of over-reliance on sales tax, and move to more equitable taxes. The county revenue structure is particularly flawed; we have a "structural gap" in our general fund caused by a statutory cap on our property tax revenues of no more than a 1% increase each year, due to Tim Eyman's I-747. At the same time, annual inflation and the cost of providing government services consistently tops 1%. Counties can't keep up, and despite having cut hundreds of millions of dollars out of King County's budget over a number of years, we now find ourselves at risk of dismantling basic government services that protect public safety, public health, and human services. I have been lobbying the State Legislature this session to give King County—and every county across the state—more revenue options, more flexibility for using existing revenues, solutions to address unfunded mandates, and more flexibility to help citizens living in urban unincorporated areas become members of cities. We have met some limited success in bringing these tax reforms home, and I will move as Executive to implement them.

King County has a ten year plan to end homelessness. What ideas do you have to increase low income and affordable housing/?

King County is a major supporter of the 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness. I have

endorsed and supported this effort every step of the way. We are making significant progress through new funding sources to prevent evictions, assist homebuyers with mortgages, and create new, affordable housing. I have also supported the County's Housing Opportunity Fund, providing millions of dollars for local housing projects and match for millions more in private, federal, state and local funding. HOF has produced literally thousands of affordable, low-income housing units for those most in need.

I have supported King County's partnership fund for affordable housing for over a decade, using a local filing fee to match City funding for the creation of affordable housing countywide. As we know from the very visible "tent cities," these housing initiatives are critical to meet the needs of the homeless in every community in our county.

Two major funding sources I have supported and voted in favor of to help end homelessness are the Veterans and Human Services Levy and the Mental Illness and Drug Dependency tax; both have funded significant homelessness prevention and housing efforts. Specific King County efforts to prevent homelessness and aid homeless individuals are deep and diverse, and include setting up winter response emergency homeless shelters in King County facilities, funding for numerous community-based homeless shelter programs, funding for Public Health to fill gaps in Medicaid benefits, construction of a Page 13 of 20 Rev New

homeless women's shelter on county property near Cedar Hills landfill, outreach and case

management for mentally ill, disabled and chemically dependent homeless individuals, grants and loans to at-risk households to prevent the slide into homelessness, and capital funding for numerous King County Housing Authority and non-profit organization housing projects which increase the stock of affordable housing units. Despite all this progress to date, there is much more to be done, and I am committed to continued and new funding sources to end homelessness in King County.

What role should government play in the healthcare system?

I believe that healthcare should be a fundamental right for every American. America needs to join the rest of the industrialized world in providing universal healthcare coverage as a right—as we have begun to do so through for Medicare, Medicaid, and the State Children's Health Insurance Program. Everyone should have access to high-quality health care for preventative and emergency care.

King County government has a long history of commitment to quality and affordable health care for its employees, and has recently worked to reduce costs and promote improved employee health without compromising worker benefits. King County also holds contractors who do business with the County to a high standard for health care coverage. King County will continue to partner with health institutions to ensure that all

children receive well child check-ups and preventive dental care, improve employee

wellness, and improve coverage for workers.

What is your position on civil rights for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgendered people? What is your position on equal rights for same-sex couples when it comes to benefits, civil unions, marriage and parental rights?

I have consistently supported civil rights for all, and especially for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual

and Transgendered citizens. For many years, King County has created and upheld strong

laws against discrimination in employment, public accommodations, housing, and

contracting in unincorporated King County; these laws protect many categories of

individuals (age, gender, religion, etc.), and include anti-discrimination on the basis of

sexual orientation. In 2006, I sponsored and voted in favor of county legislation extending

these protections specifically to include gender identity-thereby affording fair treatment

for Transgendered citizens.

I also have consistently supported equal rights for same-sex couples, and am a strong supporter of legalizing gay marriage. I was extremely disappointed by the State Supreme Court's decision in 2006 to uphold our state's ban on same-sex marriage and subsequently lobbied the State Legislature to legalize gay marriage through statutory change. Despite the fact that we have not yet achieved legalization of gay marriage, I have done everything in my power to ensure that same-sex couples enjoy the same benefits for Page 15 of 20 Rev New

their partners as do heterosexual couples, and applaud the State Legislature's recent

action to extend all the rights and benefits that married couples enjoy to same-sex domestic partners. King County has long provided benefits to its employees' domestic partners, and in 2003 I sponsored and voted in favor of the county's "Equal Benefits Ordinance" which expanded this policy by requiring that companies that contract with King County also provide equal benefits to their employees' domestic partners. To put "teeth" in this legislation, King County employs an Equal Benefits Coordinator who monitors contractor compliance with this law. I have always supported retaining this position, and when the Executive proposed cutting the position two years in a row--in 2008 and 2009--I successfully led the Council effort to restore funding for this important position. Over the past decade, I have also lobbied other governments, including the Port of Seattle and Sound Transit, to enact similar equal benefit laws for agency and contractor employees.

What creative solutions can you offer to address the problems of the economically disadvantaged? First and foremost, economically disadvantaged individuals need opportunities for jobs that provide family wages, adequate healthcare and other benefits. As stated earlier, I am fighting for significant infrastructure improvements that will support family wage jobs for working men and women. I will stabilize local and regional government services – something critical in these times of economic uncertainty for King County's citizens.

Next, our community's safety net must be maintained and strengthened to ensure that

every resident has access to medical care for their children and family, mental health and

chemical dependency services, housing, food, clothing, child care, transit, and other basic

human needs. King County already plays a significant role in maintaining and funding our

existing community safety net; during these difficult economic times, we must sustain that

safety net for those most in need in our community.

I have read this questionnaire and understand and approve the content and all provided information.					
Printed Name		Date			
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