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Via Email and U.S. Mail

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RE: Request for Recusal of TUHSD Board Member David Schapira from
Consideration of District's Comprehensive Sexuality Education Program

Dear Mr. Pickett,

It is the purpose of this letter to request that the governing board (the "Board") of the Tempe Union High School District (the "District") recuse and disqualify David Schapira, a member of the District's Board, from any consideration of the District's Comprehensive Sexuality Education Program due to his political connections with and bias in favor of Planned Parenthood Arizona, Inc. ("Planned Parenthood").

The enclosed photograph of Mr. Schapira wearing a Planned Parenthood logo shirt is but one piece of evidence demonstrating both his support of Planned Parenthood and his apparent service as a volunteer for the organization. We also understand that Mr. Schapira has been endorsed as a candidate for political office by Planned Parenthood Advocates of Arizona, the "political arm" of Planned Parenthood. Finally, we have learned that Mr. Schapira has received campaign contributions from, among others, Bryan Howard, CEO and President of Planned Parenthood, and President of Planned Parenthood Advocates of Arizona.

Additionally, when Planned Parenthood Advocates of Arizona endorsed Mr. Schapira for Arizona public office, its endorsement stated that "District 17...is being labeled a 'swing district' and thus, voter turn-out and support for David Schapira is critical." Mr. Schapira's voting record was publicly commended by Planned Parenthood in its endorsement. Planned Parenthood was particularly pleased with a vote by Mr. Schapira against requiring written parental consent in order for Arizona's children to obtain medical prescriptions, including, presumably, abortion-inducing drugs and devices supplied by Planned Parenthood.

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Though such a vote is no doubt consistent with Planned Parenthood's pro-abortion agenda and its promotion of sexual promiscuity among Arizona's youth, removing parents from important medical decisions is a perplexing position for a school board member to take when the primary responsibility of that Board member is to care for the best interests of the District's students and their parents.

We have enclosed publicly available documents we have obtained that support these facts.

As we understand the District's policy manual concerning conflicts of interest, it requires that District Board members vote and act "impartially for the good of the District" (B-0200: Governing Board Powers and Responsibilities). Additionally, consistent with A.R.S. § 38-503, the District's policy manual requires that District Board members who have a "substantial interest in any decision of the District shall make known such interest in the official records of the District and shall refrain from participating in any manner as a Governing Board member..." in such matter (B-0800: Conflict of Interest). Notably, A.R.S. § 38-502 defines "substantial interest" as "any pecuniary or proprietary interest, either direct or indirect, other than a remote interest."

Given Mr. Schapira's direct relationship with Planned Parenthood and Planned Parenthood's political contributions to Mr. Schapira, there clearly exists a pecuniary interest which makes it prudent and appropriate, consistent with District Board policies, for Mr. Schapira to recuse himself or to otherwise be disqualified by the Board from any involvement in or consideration of sexuality education curriculum for District schools and students.

We are not aware that Mr. Schapira has publicly disclosed or otherwise made known to the District's Board his close relationship with Planned Parenthood. Likewise, it does not appear that his relationship with Planned Parenthood has been publicly disclosed or otherwise made known to members of the Tempe Union High School District's Sex Education Curriculum Review Committee or to parents of students who attend District schools, many of whom attended recent Committee meetings.

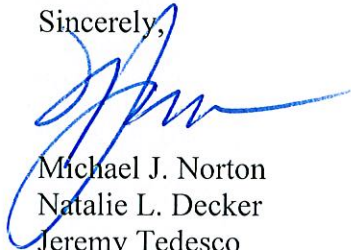
For these reasons, we request you provide us with copies of all disclosures provided to the District or the Board by Mr. Schapira or any other District Board member or Sex Education Curriculum Review Committee member which evidences a relationship, directly or indirectly, with Planned Parenthood. We also request confirmation by the District Board that Mr. Schapira has been recused or otherwise disqualified himself from participating in any consideration of or decision involving the sexuality education curriculum for District schools and its students.

You should also know that, as evidence of Planned Parenthood's deep financial interest in any sex education curricula presented in District schools and in persuading children to utilize

its products and services, we learned that Planned Parenthood CEO Bryan Howard attended the January 6, 2014 meeting of the District's Sex Education Curriculum Review Committee. As you may also know, following the Committee's February 4, 2014 meeting, Mr. Howard, in a public letter, represented that Alliance Defending Freedom had "misstated" facts to the Board and the District's Sex Education Curriculum Review Committee at these two meetings. Because Mr. Howard's representation in this letter is false, we have separately responded to Mr. Howard's letter. We will provide you with a copy of our separate letter to Mr. Howard as well as any response we may receive from him or from Planned Parenthood.

Please let us know if you have questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'M. Norton', written over the typed name.

Michael J. Norton
Natalie L. Decker
Jeremy Tedesco
Alliance Defending Freedom

Enclosures



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PPAA Endorses David Schapira for State Senate

Posted on **October 12, 2010** by **Stacey S.**

Editor's Note: To learn about Planned Parenthood Arizona's involvement with sex education curricula at Tempe Union High School District, please read [this Q&A with Jodi Liggett](#), PPAZ's director of public policy.

Planned Parenthood Advocates of Arizona has endorsed David Schapira for State Senate in Legislative District 17. District 17, which covers a large portion of Tempe and a portion of South Scottsdale, is being labeled a "swing district" and thus, voter turn-out and support for David Schapira is critical.

A native Arizonan and state legislator since 2006, David Schapira is a former high school teacher and current member of the Political Science faculty at ASU. Along with his wife, Rosemary, he serves as the owner of DevilDash.com, a care package delivery service that caters to area college students.

A student of Arizona State University and Northern Arizona University, Schapira received his Bachelor's Degree in Political Science from The George Washington University in 2001. He previously served as an aide to Senator Tom Daschle and campaign manager for Terry Goddard's 2002 run for Arizona Attorney General.

Passionate about the education of Arizona's students, he has served for the last two years as the ranking member of the House Education Committee and sponsored HB 2361, a bill that would require all schools to provide medically accurate and comprehensive sex education.

With a strong pro-choice voting record, David Schapira has also worked tirelessly to prevent the reproductive rights of women from being diminished.

With concern for the health and privacy of young women, he opposed SB 1309, a bill requiring written parental consent for minor's obtaining prescriptions and disallowing minors to seek examinations and medical care for an STD without parental consent.

David Schapira has also advocated for the privacy of women seeking abortions by opposing SB 1304, a bill that mandates the recording and reporting of information on individual abortions and the circumstances surrounding them.



David has been recognized as a top legislator by the Arizona Student Association, American Cancer Society (David is a cancer survivor), and Mothers Against Drunk Driving. He was also named one of five “Emerging Leaders Worth Watching” by The Arizona Republic.

For more information about his campaign, visit [David Schapira's website](#). For a complete list of PPAA endorsed candidates, visit www.advocatesaz.org.

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About Stacey S.

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