Allen for City Council Final Candidate Statement Spring 2016

Name: Gloria Allen

Occupation: School Trustee, retired businesswoman, parent

I am a retired businesswoman prepared to devote full time effort to improving Stockton. My husband, Marshall and I have lived in District 6 for 43 years.

We need more than talk from our elected officials. We work hard, pay our taxes like everyone else and deserve a level of protection that will keep our neighborhoods safe.

They raised our taxes to pay for services but in meetings with city leaders, all I hear is "we don't have any money". The condition of many city parks is disgraceful. We can't provide safe, after school activities for children when City parks are left in disrepair.

I was selected by Assemblywoman Cathleen Galgiani as Assembly District 13's "Woman of the Year" and received the "Action on Behalf of Children" award from the Child Abuse Prevention Council.

As a Past President of the Stockton Unified School District Board of Trustees, I found many of our schools were in danger of being taken over by the State and our financial condition was precarious. We made tough decisions, held the line on spending and put our problem schools back on track.

Enough talk, our District deserves better. Stand with me to create clean, safe neighborhoods.

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