Questions for Candidates for US Congress Offices

from the **Conservative Coalition of Harris County**

Our questionnaire is designed to give the candidate space to indicate their reasons and opinions concerning issues surrounding their races. This questionnaire will be posted onto the Conservative Coalition of Harris County website for public voter viewing.

Candidate Name	Position for which Candidate is Running
Martin Etwop	US TX-2

Please give your answer to each of the following questions and please include your rationale with each answer. Please be concise and clear.

1. Please describe the qualifications and experience that make you the best candidate in your political race.

Answer: As a husband, father of four, devoted Christian, and constitutional conservative, I bring a strong foundation in faith. My experience includes serving as Montgomery County MUD 95 Director (2024-2025), former MoCo Pachyderm board member, community leadership in church activities, veteran support, and grassroots organizing in MoCo and Harris County with organizations such as Citizens defending Freedom. In the legal arena, I've fought for Texans by holding government bureaucrats accountable from school boards to the federal level—filing the lawsuit that led to the removal of the democrat in the unqualified Democrat from being sworn in as school board member for Humble ISD, defending Trump Train supporters against persecution by the Biden DOJ and securing victories; serving as the on-call attorney for GOP election issues statewide during the November 2024 elections, including last-minute hearings in Williamson County, constant coordination with OAG attorneys and the Cruz campaign on ballot access problems, collecting sworn affidavits from Harris County GOP poll workers on irregularities, and providing legal advice on most Harris County election challenges. I've also led defenses of religious freedoms and First Amendment rights in Texas courts, protecting pastors, street preachers, and teachers retaliated against for whistleblowing. Unlike career politicians, I've lived the challenges facing everyday Texans—inflation, border insecurity, and government overreach—making me uniquely positioned to fight for practical, conservative solutions that prioritize people over special interests.

2. Please explain what you believe are the most significant issues in this race, why you are running for this position and what differentiates you from the other candidate(s).

Answer: The key issues are securing our southern border to stop illegal immigration and fentanyl flow, restoring fiscal responsibility by cutting waste and reforming taxes with a more useful consumption tax, and defending constitutional freedoms against woke agendas and government overreach.

I'm running because Washington insiders like Dan Crenshaw have failed us, sponsoring bills like H.R. 339 that strip local authorities from holding telecommunication companies accountable, and fundraising with Democrats like Kim Ogg and John Whitmire, which shows us where his allegiance truly lies.
What sets me apart from Dan Crenshaw and Steve Toth is my foresight and unyielding principles as a constitutional conservative, leading on issues before they're popular, not reacting when the wind shifts or big names weigh in. Take border security and the fentanyl crisis: As early as 2022, I and several grassroots Texans called for labeling Mexican drug cartels as Foreign Terrorist Organizations to crush them with full federal force. Crenshaw dismissed us, saying we didn't know what we were talking about and it would worsen immigration by boosting asylum claims. But by 2023-2024, as more voices joined and it gained traction, he flipped, now championing cartel crackdowns and military action. That's not leadership; that's following the crowd. The same with Steve Toth on Texas House Speaker Dade Phelan: When I challenged him directly on supporting Phelan who empowered Democrats and blocked several conservative bills, Toth told me I didn't know what I was talking about and called Phelan the best speaker Texas ever had. Months later, after President Trump slammed Phelan for betraying conservatives, Toth reversed and opposed him. Again, not foresight—just reacting to pressure. Texans deserve a representative with vision to anticipate threats like these, not insiders who dismiss us until it's expedient. I've fought in courts for your freedoms and election integrity because principles matter more than popularity.

3. What will your top 2 or 3 priorities be during this upcoming term?

Answer: First, permanently secure the border by enforcing deportations, supporting ICE agents, and holding rogue judges accountable for obstructing federal law. Second, cut federal spending through audits, eliminating fraud in programs like Obamacare, and promoting competition in healthcare. Third, protect constitutional rights by opposing bills that erode local authority and fighting woke indoctrination in education and institutions. Another big issue is accountability and responsiveness to the constituents. I am going to represent my district, so it only helps if I continually consult them and seek their consent

4. What are your solutions to identifying and cutting fraud and waste in the federal budget?

Answer: Implement comprehensive audits of all federal agencies, starting with entitlement programs and foreign aid, using tools like the Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) which must be reactivated to expose inefficiencies. Eliminate redundant bureaucracies, enforce strict oversight on contracts , and redirect savings to tax relief. Tie funding to performance metrics to ensure accountability and prevent abuse. Additionally, we must stop the business of continuing resolutions and pass actual budgets based on how much the country has taken in. We must balance out budget.

5. What are the most important issues that Republicans need to focus on in order to maintain control of the US House in the November 2026 election?

Answer: Republicans must prioritize border security and immigration enforcement to address the crisis affecting communities like Harris County.

Second, tackle the economy by cutting inflation through energy independence, tax reform, and reducing regulations on American businesses. We cannot continue to mortgage our children's future with the burgeoning national debt. The way we are currently operating, we are leaving an American nightmare, instead of American dream for our children.

Third, combat cultural issues like woke indoctrination and defend freedoms, while holding rogue judges and bureaucrats accountable to restore trust in government and energize the conservative base.

BY RETURNING THIS QUESTIONNAIRE, THE CANDIDATE ASSUMES FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ALL ANSWERS TO THIS QUESTIONNAIRE. THE ANSWERS ON THE FOREGOING REFLECT THE CANDIDATE'S BEST EFFORTS TO ANSWER THIS QUESTIONNAIRE HONESTLY AND DIRECTLY.

PLEASE SAVE YOUR COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRE TO YOUR LOCAL MACHINE IN THE EVENT THAT THERE ARE ANY TECHNICAL PROBLEMS WHEN YOU ATTEMPT TO EMAIL IT BACK.

Once this questionnaire has been completed, please email it to:

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ETWOP BIO

Martin Etwop is an unashamed Christian conservative, born and raised in Uganda as the fourth of seven children to two high school educators. Growing up amid the nation's worst HIV epidemic, wars following Idi Amin's fall, and conflicts in Northern Uganda (1981-2001), echoing the "Kony 2012" documentary, Martin endured poverty, disease, and chaos, experiencing Marxism and socialism's dangers firsthand. His parents instilled stewardship, responsibility, and reliance on God, lessons he carried forward.

In his late teens and early twenties, Martin shared Jesus's love, leading mission teams across nations in Africa. Twenty years ago, he arrived in the U.S. as a missionary, serving in Victorville, Hollywood, and the San Francisco Bay Area, California. He worked in education at a Christian school and automotive manufacturing at Tesla Inc., later becoming a constitutional attorney defending religious freedom, family values, and conservative principles in Texas. Martin’s law practice is based here in Texas, but he also supports conservative movements in Georgia, Michigan, and Florida through his involvement as with Citizens Defending Freedom.

Martin's career highlights include defending Trump-train supporters against Biden administration prosecution, opposing Title IX changes by engaging federal attorneys and urging 700 Texas school boards to protect girls, defending pastors' religious expressions, Texans' polling rights, election integrity, teachers' conservative views, and parents against school abuses. He embodies the American Dream, rising from the dunghill of despair to holding government accountable.

A dedicated husband and father of four in Conroe, Texas, Martin is a devout follower of Jesus and staunch constitutional conservative running for U.S. Congress in Texas's 2nd District to challenge the status quo.

He champions faith, freedom, and fiscal responsibility: repealing burdensome regulations, supporting a simpler consumption tax to empower everyday Americans, fighting cronyism and woke ideologies, and prioritizing border security, economic growth, and liberties. His campaign aims to bring a true conservative voice that puts constituents first.

H. R. [NUMBER]

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

[DATE]

[SPONSOR NAME] (for himself/herself and [CO-SPONSORS]) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

A BILL

To direct the President to take such actions as may be necessary to prohibit the purchase of public or private real estate located in the United States by non-US citizens, with certain exceptions for primary residential properties, and to prohibit foreign ownership or leasing of property near sensitive government facilities.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

1. Short title.

This Act may be cited as the "Protecting American Real Estate from Foreign Ownership Act".

2. Prohibition on purchase of public or private real estate located in the United States by non-US citizens.

2.1 In general.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the President shall take such actions as may be necessary to prohibit the purchase of public or private real estate located in the United States by individuals who are not citizens of the United States and entities that are owned, controlled, or substantially influenced by non-US citizens, subject to the exceptions provided in subsection (c).

2.2 Leasing provisions.

Non-US citizens and foreign entities prohibited from purchasing real estate under subsection (a) may enter into lease agreements for real property in the United States, provided that:

1. No lease term shall exceed 25 years, including all options to renew;
2. All lease agreements shall be registered with the Department of Housing and Urban Development within 30 days of execution; and
3. Such lease agreements shall not constitute or be construed as conveying any ownership interest in the underlying real property.

2.3 Exceptions.

1. Primary residence exception. The prohibition in subsection (a) shall not apply to the purchase of a single residential property by a non-US citizen who:

   (A) Is a lawful permanent resident of the United States;

(B) Intends to use the property as their primary residence; and

(C) Does not own any other residential property in the United States.

2. Prohibited uses. The exception in paragraph (1) shall not apply to:

(A) Vacation properties or second homes;

(B) Properties purchased for short-term or long-term rental purposes;

(C) Timeshares or fractional ownership arrangements; or

(D) Any property acquired primarily for investment purposes rather than as a primary residence.

3. Prohibition on ownership or lease of property near sensitive government facilities.

3.1 Absolute prohibition.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act or any other law, non-US citizens and entities owned, controlled, or substantially influenced by non-US citizens are absolutely prohibited from:

1. Purchasing, owning, or acquiring any interest in real property located within 50 miles of any sensitive government facility as defined in subsection (b); or
2. Leasing or otherwise occupying any real property located within 50 miles of any sensitive government facility as defined in subsection (b).

3.2 Definition of sensitive government facility.

For purposes of this section, the term "sensitive government facility" includes:

1. Military installations, including but not limited to bases, camps, posts, stations, yards, centers, or other activities under the jurisdiction of the Department of Defense or any military department;
2. National security facilities, including but not limited to facilities operated by the Central Intelligence Agency, National Security Agency, Defense Intelligence Agency, National Reconnaissance Office, and National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency;
3. Critical infrastructure as designated by the Department of Homeland Security;
4. Nuclear facilities, including but not limited to nuclear power plants, nuclear waste storage facilities, and nuclear research facilities;
5. Federal law enforcement training centers and headquarters;
6. Research and development facilities operated by or on behalf of the United States government for defense, intelligence, or national security purposes; and
7. Any other facility designated by the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Homeland Security, or the Director of National Intelligence as critical to national security.

3.3 Designation and mapping.

1. The Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of Homeland Security and the Director of National Intelligence, shall:
   (A) Identify and designate all sensitive government facilities covered by this section;
   (B) Create and maintain maps clearly delineating the 50-mile restricted zones surrounding each designated facility; and
   (C) Make such information available to relevant federal, state, and local authorities responsible for real estate transactions and records.
2. Information created under paragraph (1) may be classified as appropriate to protect national security.

3.4 Divestiture.

1. Any non-US citizen or foreign entity that owns property in violation of this section as of the effective date of this Act shall divest such property within 180 days.
2. Failure to divest within the required timeframe shall result in forfeiture of the property to the United States government.

4. Implementation and enforcement.

4.1 Regulations.

The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, in consultation with the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Homeland Security, and the Attorney General, shall issue such regulations as are necessary to implement and enforce this Act within 180 days of its enactment.

4.2 Contents of regulations.

The regulations shall include:

1. Procedures for verifying citizenship status of real estate purchasers;
2. Requirements for disclosure of beneficial ownership of entities purchasing real estate;
3. Procedures for divestiture of property acquired in violation of this Act;
4. Civil penalties for violations of this Act; and
5. A process for reviewing and approving or denying applications for waivers in extraordinary circumstances.

4.3 Enforcement priority.

The Attorney General shall prioritize enforcement of this Act with respect to properties located near sensitive government facilities as defined in section 3.

5. United States defined.

The term "United States" means the several States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American

Samoa, Guam, the United States Virgin Islands, and any other territory or possession of the United States.

6. Effective date.

This Act shall take effect 90 days after the date of its enactment.

SECURE OUR NATION ACT

A BILL

To direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to establish control of and secure the borders and territorial integrity of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled.

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
This Act may be cited as the "Secure Our Nation Act ("SON Act").

SECTION. 2. ACHIEVING CONTROL AND SECURITY ON THE BORDER.

(a) IN GENERAL.—No later than 6 months after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall take all actions to ensure that the borders of the United States are secured. These actions shall include: (1) building and completing a 30-ft tall wall on our Southern border within 12 months of the Act passing,
(2) installing hi-tech surveillance and security equipment on the border and along all points of entry,
(3) immediately deploying the national guard to the border to repel with any and all force necessary all unapproved entries,
(4) immediately deporting all illegal immigrants found within 200 miles of the border within 24 hours from the moment of apprehension

(b) PREEMPTION: This act grants border state governments exemption from Federal preemption on defending their international borders. These states are therefore free to defend their borders through whatever means necessary to protect their states based on their unique border situation

SECTION 3. FUNDING.

The Treasury Secretary is directed to immediately allocate funds equal to all the funds that have been appropriated to Ukraine during the 2022 calendar year to the Department of Homeland Security to ensure the implementation of this law. There-on-after, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall present an annual report and budget to Congress to ensure continued funding for the program.
The funds appropriated shall not be used for any other activity, except that which is directly related to SECTIONS 2 and 4 of this Act.

SECTION 4. INTERSTATE COMMERCE.

(1) The Secretaries of Homeland Security and Treasury, through their applicable departments, are directed to monitor and ensure that businesses and corporations engaged in commercial activities within the United States do not employ individuals who do not have permission to be employed in the United States.
Any business found to have knowingly employed or had

individuals on their payroll for 6 consecutive pay periods, or any aggregated number of pay periods exceeding 6 pay periods, shall have 50 percent of their previous year's gross profits confiscated as a penalty for such actions.

(2) Any individual who knowingly engages in the transportation on interstate highways of an individual who is in the country illegally shall if apprehended be categorized as a human smuggler as defined in 8 USC 1324. But the penalty of such engagement shall be more stringent and severe under this act than is prescribed under Section 1324.