

# Joint County Voters' Pamphlet Candidate Statement

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Use this form when filing a 'JCVP-01 Joint County Voters' Pamphlet Candidate Statement' with your County Elections office. Please note that each county produces a separate County Voters' Pamphlet. If the jurisdiction or district is located in more than one county, a separate JCVP-01 form must be filed and the filing fee paid to each county where the 'Candidate Statement' is to be printed.

### Filing Information

Election Date: May 19<sup>th</sup> 2020  Amended Statement

Name of Candidate (as it should appear on the ballot):  
Teresa L. Raiford

Filing for the Office of (complete what's applicable):  
District/Position: Mayor City of Portland

"This information furnished by" (Required: Name of Candidate or Committee as it should appear in the Voters' Pamphlet):  
Teresa Raiford

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**Warning:** Any person who supplies information in the 'Required' portion of a Voters' Pamphlet statement, knowing it to be false, is subject upon conviction of a Class C felony, to imprisonment for up to five years or to a fine of \$125,000, or both. ORS 260.715 (1); 260.993; 161.605; and 161.625.

**Note:** Language which violates any provision of ORS 251.415 will be excluded from the Voters' Pamphlet

By signing this document, I hereby state:

- That all information provided by me on this form and in this 'Candidate Statement' is true to the best of my knowledge;
- I am the author of this 'Candidate Statement' (ORS 251.415);
- I have read and understand the instructions for submitting this 'Candidate Statement'; and
- The portrait, if provided, is less than four (4) years old.

  
Signature of Candidate or Agent on behalf of Candidate

3-23-2020  
Date Signed

(If applicable) Printed name of Agent \_\_\_\_\_

503-752-1140  
Phone number

### Candidate checklist for 'JCVP-01 Joint County Voters' Pamphlet Candidate Statement' information:

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'Required Information':

- Occupation
- Occupational Background
- Educational Background
- Prior Governmental Experience

(Optional) 'Optional Information'

(Optional) Portrait

(If applicable) JCVP-02 Endorsement Statement #: \_\_\_\_\_

Fee/Petition Provided

Word Count (325 words/numbers MAX)

**Candidate Name: Teressa Lynn Raiford  
Democrat**

Occupation: Philanthropist, Trauma-Informed Advocate and Community Organizer

Occupational Background: Accounting, Banker, Logistics, Educator, founder of Don't Shoot Portland in 2015, a non-profit that provides legal resources for marginalized communities.

Education: Jefferson High School c/o 88, Trend Business, Western Business College

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Ran for office in 2012 against Amanda Fritz for City Commission seat 1. Ran against Loretta Smith for County Commissioner 2014. Elected PCP for North Portland District 2. Member of steering committee of community based organization founded by Barbara Willer (Black Women For Peace) in 2010-2015. Business and Economic Chair for Oregon Assembly for Black Affairs 2012-2015. Co-Chair for Ceasefire Oregon Books Not Bullets 2012. Steering committee member for Oregon Health Department STRYVE program 2012-2014.

My name is Teressa Raiford, and I am a fourth-generation resident of traditional village sites of Multnomah, Clackamas, and many other tribes currently known as Portland, Oregon. Growing up an inner-city youth in the Irvington/Alberta neighborhood, I was exposed to many of the issues our city still faces today; gun violence, housing displacement, discrimination and racism. It was these lived experiences that heightened my self-awareness to injustices.

Providing testimony at city halls, state Capitals and state work group committee meetings, I've demanded audits surrounding equity, education, public safety, police accountability and state inter-agency access for those who need it most.

When I received an invitation extended to advocates and national leaders against gun violence during the Obama administration, it became apparent to national and state leaders that my consistent and articulate leadership is rooted in a bold commitment to change.

I will focus on providing humane and effective solutions to the houseless crisis, fight for living wages, do the most for renters' rights and create true racial justice in our city.

*"These systemic failures should require a direct approach that engages those most vulnerable and helps them become educated in civic process." Teresa Raiford*

*For more information on my grassroots campaign, please visit [TeresaRaifordForMayor.com](http://TeresaRaifordForMayor.com)*