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My wife and I have lived on the Wasatch Front most of our lives, and we're proud to call it home.

I'm generally pleased with the direction our state is going, but I'd like to see parents have a stronger voice and influence in the educational system. Our children, mine and yours, would be best served if administrators and educators alike were more directly accountable to parents.

I favor stronger property rights and more transparent and responsible taxation. I see many well intended regulations as ineffective and costly and best, and regressive and wasteful at worst. I stand for personal liberty and accountability. Societies flourish when their citizens are left free to manage their own lives to the greatest extent possible.

Lastly, I believe the terms for public officials are short by wise design. With the great abundance of talent and skill in our state, there's no reason for officials to serve more than ten years. Democracy thrives on fresh voices and perspectives.

Utah's foster care system and refugee resettlement organizations are near and dear to my heart. If elected, I would be honored to donate my government pay to these worthy causes.

