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2024 LEGISLATIVE CANDIDATE ARTS SURVEY

You Name: Dominique Johnson

What office and district are you a candidate for?

Office: House District: 143

1. Do you have a connection to the arts? If so, please share.

I am a musician and it has remained an important part of my life even if I don't perform any longer.

2. Can you share an arts experience that has impacted your life or the lives of your family members?

I come from a family with a lot of educators, including music educators, and music has been a thread through all of our family life. I learned invaluable skills as a young musician that I use to this day.

3. The Connecticut legislature hosts the Arts, Culture, and Tourism Caucus, a bipartisan group of legislators who champion state support for the arts community.

If elected (or re-elected), will you join (or rejoin) the Caucus?

I will re-join the caucus meetings.

4. Studies have shown that arts and culture can deliver a 3 to 1 return on investment at a minimum if adequately funded. Despite this, Connecticut has historically under invested state funds in the arts and lags the rest of the nation in recognizing that arts generate tax revenue and support a thriving economy.

If elected (or re-elected), will you support increased investment of state funds in arts and culture?

Yes, I believe that the arts and culture should be an integral economic development engine for our communities.

5. Are there any other ways that you'd like to convey to voters how you have been supportive of the arts?

I proudly support our arts and culture organizations in our District and was a part of the team to bring home additional I funding for them.