

COMPARISON OF NC HOUSE DISTRICT 97 (LINCOLN COUNTY) CANDIDATES

NATALIE ROBERTSON	JASON SAINI (INCUMBENT)
<i>Will provide open/honest government</i>	<i>Government for the special interests</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small campaign donations - no strings attached • No contributions from special interests or lobbyists • Publicly disclosed contributions • Fiscally responsible and <u>ethical</u> campaign 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Unethical</u> - \$19,000 of campaign donations spent on his clothing/shoes & thousands more on out-of-state travel/meals • Second worst disclosure rate among 2016 NC candidates • Major funding from Duke Power, Realtors & Developers, Koch Industries, energy corps, health insurance corps, communications companies, banks, lobbyists
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Published positions on issues • Vote411.org • Votesmart.org 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hidden positions on issues • Failed the 2016 & 2018 "Political Courage Test" by failing to provide voters with his positions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supports free/fair elections • Advocates for independent non-partisan redistricting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cosponsored a bill to limit voting by requiring photo IDs, repeal same-day registration, reduce early voting, increase campaign contribution limits • Voted to redraw congressional districts. Later deemed <u>unconstitutional gerrymandering</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pledges to hold 4 Town Halls per year • Listens to the people of Lincoln County 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Avoids holding town halls • Did not show up for the candidate debate or the republican primary debate
<i>Support for the People</i>	<i>Support for Special Interests</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advocates to expand Medicaid • Supports expanded healthcare for ALL. Studies have shown this will SAVE \$ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Led Efforts to REDUCE Healthcare • Cosponsored a bill to prevent Medicaid expansion • Voted to remove health insurance for pre-existing conditions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supports fully funding Public Education • Increasing school funding and teacher pay. The students are our state's future. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NC education ranking has fallen from 19th to 40th during his time in office • Teachers in NC are paid \$10,000 less than the national average • NC is ranked the 49th worst state to be a teacher
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supports living wage, back to work training programs, and strong safety net 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opposes increasing the minimum wage • Voted to decrease the duration and amount of Unemployment Benefits after personally receiving them for 52 weeks
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Endorsed by Equality NC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NC ACLU rating of 0-17%
<i>Protecting the People</i>	<i>Protecting the Special Interests, NOT the People</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supports clean water & air, renewable energy, and environmental protections • Lake Norman drinking water pollution needs to be addressed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0% score from Environment North Carolina • Voted to authorize offshore drilling and to repeal the moratorium on fracking • Voted to limit solar energy in NC
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supports 2nd Amendment and sensible gun laws 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voted to allow concealed handguns at church services, parades & funerals
<i>Government for the Community</i>	<i>Government for the Special Interests</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opposed to private toll roads 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voted to keep I-77 tolls contract
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developers in Lincoln County must support infrastructure improvements to gain support 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has received political contributions from developers • Has he ensured that they improve our local infrastructure?

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