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## **PETITION CANDIDATE**

**RESIDENCE**: Detroit, MI

MEMBER SINCE: 1986, Life Member

OCCUPATION: Clean energy advocate and investor, philanthropist, climate change activist

SIERRA CLUB LEADERSHIP POSITIONS: Club Board Member (1997–2003, 2009-2010); Fifth-Officer, 1998; Club UN Representative, World Summit on Sustainable Development, (2001–2002); International Committee (1998–2001); GovComs: Org-Effectiveness (1997–1998), Membership-Development (2000–2001), Conservation (2001–2002), Outdoor-Activities (2002– 2003).

**OTHER LEADERSHIP POSITIONS**: Full Member of the Club of Rome; Limited Partner, IberSun Solar; Secretary, Black Owners of Solar Services; Co-Founder/Treasurer, Sunrise Movement; Read more: <u>https://linktr.ee/DrDorsey</u>.

**STATEMENT**: Do you believe:

- We need to move faster to protect our planet?
- We must fight for clean energy and visionary climate policies by simultaneously fighting dirty, 20<sup>th</sup> century fossil fuel companies <u>and</u> holding our Congress and the President accountable?

I do! And I need your help and your vote.

The Club faces monumental challenges.

To surmount these challenges, I need your help. Let's work together to: support strong campaigns to stop the unfolding climate catastrophe; protect forests from logging; protect the quality of our air, water and wetlands; and save endangered species. We must use our limited resources to enhance and support our grassroots, chapters, and groups. Campaigns are most successful if they are part of a broader, inclusive, visionary strategy. Delivering for the Club and our planet means positioning the Club for realities of the 21st century by:

- enhancing our grassroots;
- supporting sustainability & environmental justice; and
- building diverse constituencies, with young people, people of color and new citizens.

## How...?

• Work to deliver a Green New Deal and get Beyond Fossil *Fools* by confronting utilities and the dirtiest, polluting corporations, including the biomass logging industry; and simultaneously holding Congress and the White House accountable.

• Support our grassroots by: Augmenting training and organizing; increasing volunteer decision-making and participation Club-wide; supporting chapter-led outings and reducing unnecessary burdens; and fortifying volunteer-staff relations to sustain and maintain our organizational power!

• Work on sustainability by: Having strong plans for wildlands protection—including renewing our efforts to halt logging on public lands, keeping our air and water clean; and supporting our international campaigns—especially progressive multilateral climate policies that fully deliver energy justice.

• Facilitate environmental justice by: Linking environmental destruction and public health impacts in campaigns; and appealing to diverse constituents, supporting greenplans and fighting (sub)urban sprawl.

• Help diversify the Club by: Supporting Sierra Student Coalition; recruiting new members and staff from diverse communities—and growing our Climate Justice Academy; vigorously support issues that diverse allies and partners from marginalized environmental groups work on; and holding chapter meetings where diverse constituencies live.

I need your support and your vote. Let's discard 20<sup>th</sup> century dirty fuel ideas and environmental destruction and deliver for the planet and our children in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

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