ANAHEIM UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER

NAME: KATHERINE H. SMITH

OCCUPATION: Governing Board Member, Anaheim Union High

School District

When people like their job, they generally do a better job. I love being your Anaheim Union High School District Trustee, and my list of accomplishments on your behalf speak for themselves.

Each school day is started with a Moment of Silence and an inspirational quote, following the Pledge of Allegiance. The Golden Rule and Respect signs are posted in every room. The "five minute clean-up" bell after lunch promotes individual responsibility and pride on our campuses. I have also given a high priority to academic attire for students, and professional attire for teachers.

To improve comfort and safety, we now have air conditioners and cardiac defibrillators in all schools. Clean restrooms and automatic toilet flushers are a reality. The pool at Kennedy High School was replaced under my direction.

To improve Alternative Education, I have pushed to keep these students in school for a full day. Also, my strong support for raising the grade point average required for graduation to a 2.0 has had a positive effect statewide as we have raised the bar for the rest of California's school districts. In today's competitive society, we want our students to be able to compete.

The contribution for which I am most proud is Oxford Academy. Created as a magnet school for highly motivated college-prep students, it is ranked academically as the number one school in California, and was ranked number four nationally by U.S. News & World Report (November, 2007).

For me, the School Board is not a springboard to higher office. There is much yet to be done. I am proud of our accomplishments at Anaheim Union High School District and with your support, pledge to continue to strive for academic excellence. I respectfully request your vote.