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I affirm my interest in joining the USGP Steering Committee. I first registered Green in 1998 and immediately became active. In that same year, I was elected to Sacramento's county council. I am currently in my fourth year as co-coordinator of the GPCA-CC. (I will step down when my current term ends in Feb. 04.) At the state level, my work has included many committees and group s-- platform (co-coordinator), campaigns and candidates, campaign support fund (first coordinator), finance, etc. At the local level, I'm a member of my county council, and I table as often as I can.

My professional life is strongly involved with social justice and education issues. I've been in the jail for 14 1/2 years. I'm the GED and basic math teacher in our county jail. I'm very proud of the graduates--3 new ones this week! I've also taught ESL at several Universities in California, Spain, and Kuwait. I have also been active in basic literacy non-profit organizations.

I take my Green work very seriously. I consistently show up for calls and meetings. I think about what I volunteer for, and do my best to carry out what I've promised to do. I recognize that being on the Steering Committee may at times test my ability to take "heat" for decisions and actions taken (or not taken). Both the GPCA leadership role and years of jail teaching have provided ample opportunities to refine my response to that sort of "heat" and keep moving forward. I believe that, because of my experiences. I can contribute to the growth of the Green Party.

While establishing good process is very important -- creating the "how" Greens hope to accomplish our goals -- the "what" must also have its place. How our present actions affect future Greens, our society, and our environment is as essential as whether we decide to use a simple majority or a 2/3 majority vote. "How will this decision help the little green tree frogs and their rapidly disappearing rain forest homes?" is a questions that often pops into my mind. I will work to help maintain such balance on the Steering Committee.

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Thank you for considering me for this position.

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GPCA, Co-coordinator
USGP, Delegate

Washing one's hands of the conflict between the powerful and
the powerless means to side with the powerful, not to be neutral.
-Paulo Freire, educator
(1921-1997)

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