

HIGH TECH GAYS

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Mr./Ms. Candidate Candidate for Congress Address City, State, Zip

Dear Mr. Candidate:

High Tech Gays is a large and rapidly growing organization of lesbian and gay professionals in the high tech industries of Silicon Valley and the whole Bay area. We currently have over 700 members and many are concerned voters of the 12th District.

At the suggestion of both Supervisor Anna Eshoo and Mr. Jim Garrison, HTG will be hosting a "Meet the Candidates Forum" for candidates in the 12th Congressional District primary race on Sunday evening May 8, and I am writing to invite you to join them and us on that evening so that our members can learn more about each candidate's position on issues of interest. Besides local issues which concern all district residents, we would have special interest in your views on AIDS funding, lesbian/gay rights, hate crimes, discrimination, personal privacy, partner benefits, etc.

The format will allow each candidate to make an opening statement of perhaps 5 minutes duration. The floor will be opened to questions, moderated by the HTG chair, followed by brief closing remarks from each candidate. Campaign literature may be distributed and you are welcome to bring along any staff members.

Candidates are welcome to mingle socially with us both before (6:15 - 7:30 pm) and after (9:00 - 10:00 pm) the Forum; The general atmosphere of our meetings is informal; we will be having a pot-luck supper and socializing at 6:45 pm. Our typical attendance is 150 members.

Please call me as soon as possible to confirm your attendance or absence prior to our monthly newsletter deadline of Thursday, April 14. My phone is (408) 943-0636 days, and (408) 255-6128 eves. I am looking forward to hearing from you.

Very truly yours,

Rick Rudy President

cc: all candidates