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STATEMENT OF: Chris Olson

CANDIDATE FOR: ALHAMBRA CITY GENERAL MUNICIPAL AND SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION
Member of the City Council, Third District

ELECTION DATE: 11/3/2020

AGE: _____ OCCUPATION: Grant Writer
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A lifelong resident of the San Gabriel Valley, I'm proud to have made Alhambra my home for the last 31 years. I graduated from Cal State Los Angeles with a B.A. in Sociology, which prepared me for a professional career in the non-profit sector. This included several years' experience in organizations advocating for the rights of women and girls. I am now employed in my own firm, as a fund development consultant and grant writer.

My current community service includes membership on the Board of Directors of Grassroots Alhambra; I am also President of the Alhambra Design Review Board. An advocate for historic preservation, I was a founding board member and former President of Alhambra Preservation Group.

I love my hometown very much – and I know that there are too many of my fellow Alhambrans who have little say in the community's planning and decision-making processes. I will work hard to better unite us as a community of diverse people and needs, and to ensure that our neighborhoods are economically and environmentally vital, socially connected and safe. I will fight hard for affordable housing, sustainability planning to address climate change, and improved representation through open and transparent government.