Candidate Statement: Timothy M. Siml



My wife, Lynn, and I built our home in the Conservatory Community and Metro District in 2008 where we have retired to spend our "golden years" together. I grew up in the Chicago area, earning my bachelor's degree in communications, then going into local radio and television as well as operations manager at Wheaton College. We moved to Florida, where I worked for Disney 14 years. When our children got married and left home to start lives of their own, I got my teaching certificate and joined the Osceola County School District. Moving here, I finished my career at Smokey Hill High School. Now retired, I still put some time in with Cherry Creek School District as a substitute. Both my daughters have since moved here and we have grandchildren that attend 4 different Aurora Public Schools here, including the Conservatory's own, Aurora Frontier P-8.

Lynn and I are active in our community. We do this by walking the trails and bike paths with our dogs, using the pool, getting to know our neighbors, enjoying holiday decorations and great Colorado weather. We actively get involved by attending and volunteering for HOA and school functions throughout the years. First my wife, then I have served on the HOA board of directors. I've personally attended maybe 2 dozen Metro District meetings over the last 7 years, first at the Conservatory clubhouse, then the Saddle Rock clubhouse as well as virtually. I've gained some understanding as to the division of responsibilities between the Metro, HOA, City of Aurora, County and State.

I'm running for the Metro District to help contribute in a positive way to our community. I believe new faces and fresh perspectives can make a positive difference for our community. As a board member, I would strive to be a good steward of the resources entrusted to the Metro District on the community's behalf.

Some of the ideas that I would like to see addressed: 1) The timing of the sprinklers along Jericho way and Conservatory Parkway so they don't run during prime walking time while the sun is up, especially in the mornings while our children are walking to school so they are pushed into the street to avoid the water. 2) Trash on the Metro property along Hampden, maybe finding volunteers to pick up every other month. 3) Presently there seems to be a rift between the Metro District and HOA. I would strive to facilitate a better relationship between both boards. 4) I would like to see if the Metro meetings could be made a little more accessible for community members by getting in person meetings to happen at the Conservatory clubhouse again. 5) Also, to allow access for

our neighbors who work during the day, maybe one or two meetings a year could be held in the evening. Those are just some of the ideas that come immediately to mind when asked about goals to accomplish if elected.

We love our community and want to help keep it a great place to live. There is so much more that our Metro District is responsible for, such as paying off the bonds on the community's infrastructure as well as upkeep of monuments, fences and grounds along major streets and some of the local ponds. I've heard some of the horror stories in the news about local Metro Districts, and I'm happy to say ours is one of the good ones. Every member of our board lives here, wants the best for our community and has strived to do just that to the best to their ability.