

Candidate: Ruta Jouniari Office: Sarasota Co Commissioner Dist 2

Party: D

Topic: Constitutionally Limited Government: _____

2nd Amendment: TPM Score: 0

Supports gun control

<http://floridapolitics.com/archives/249629-ruta-jouniari-missteps-show-aimless-sure-lose-campaign-hd-72>

Pro-life: TPM Score: 0

Supports Planned Parenthood

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Immigration: TPM Score: 0

Nothing found. Our vetting process gives the candidate the benefit of the doubt, while keeping in mind the candidate's party's platform.

Topic: Fiscal Responsibility: Taxes/Spending TPM Score: 0 _____

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<https://vote4ruta.com/issues>

Topic: Free Market Solutions: _____

Educ choice: TPM Score: 0

Ruta is supported by Indivisible, whose position is against charter schools

<https://www.heraldtribune.com/news/20170923/democrats-stepping-up-for-sarasota-state-house-district-72-race>

Healthcare: TPM Score: 0

Supports Obamacare—the "problem" she sees with it: "It is collapsing due to insurance companies pulling out of regions."

She ignores the fact that universal coverage, like we saw with Obamacare, increased expenses for Americans while reducing their benefits, and was unworkable for insurance companies.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9dqe87JaE3Q>

Ruta wants "Medicare for all" universal coverage.

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Pro-Biz: TPM Score: 0

Ruta Jouniari "supports a \$15 minimum wage and other progressive policies."

<https://www.heraldtribune.com/news/20171114/progressive-group-pulls-its-endorsement-of-siesta-key-democrat-margaret-good>

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Candidate's Top 3 Issues: 0

Sustainable Growth, Affordable Available Housing, Protecting Our Natural Resources

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Total TPM Score: 0

Summary Comments:

Ruta pulls support from the fascist organization Indivisible. She believes in Obamacare and a \$15 minimum wage. Ruta's issues as stated on her site contain phrases designed to appeal to all, including conservatives: "strong economy," "economically viable." "cares deeply about the environment."

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Christian Ziegler's campaign message states our views well: "I'm a staunch Conservative with experience at all levels of government and in the private sector who fights for limited government, low taxes, less government spending and will be accountable to the voters of Sarasota County. My top priorities are ensuring that Sarasota County is the best place to visit, raise a family, work, retire and achieve the American Dream. Each day I will work to ensure that Sarasota County is a community that is safe and a place where every resident has the opportunity to secure a good paying job."

We strongly endorse Christian Ziegler.

Supporters/Endorsements include:

Progressive Sarasota

The Scoop Radio Show

host Francesco Abbruzzino

Englewood Indivisible (in a tweet she incorrectly called them Invisible)

Who This Candidate Supports:

All Dem candidates in FL

<https://twitter.com/vote4ruta>

Other Topics/ Actions/Positions held

Jouniari is hoping to tap into the party's progressive base. She believes in full legalization of marijuana and single-payer health care.

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