

2008 General Election ~ State Representative ~ District 23

1. Did you grow up with animals?

Gwyn Green (D)	Yes; Two dogs and one cat
Mary Lynn Wagner (R)	Yes; I've always had one or two dogs, a cat, and been around horses.

2. Does your family have animals?

Gwyn Green (D)	Yes; We had multiple gerbils, frogs, tadpoles, lizards, birds and a wonderful dog who has died. We have no pets at present, although all our adult children have dogs and cats.
Mary Lynn Wagner (R)	Yes; We have three horses, three rescued dogs, a rescued cat, a rabbit, a parakeet, and a rescued, injured pigeon.

3. Are you in favor of the spaying/neutering of dogs and cats to reduce overpopulation?

Gwyn Green (D)	Yes
Mary Lynn Wagner (R)	Yes

4. Would you be likely to support state legislation to restrict the length of time and conditions under which a dog may be tethered outdoors?

Gwyn Green (D)	Yes
Mary Lynn Wagner (R)	Yes

5. Do you believe that aggravated cruelty/violence to animals should be a felony?

Gwyn Green (D)	Yes
Mary Lynn Wagner (R)	Yes

6. During the 2008 legislative session, a bill was passed to prohibit inhumane forms of confinement, such as "veal crates" and "gestation crates," of calves and pigs raised for slaughter (SB08-201). If you are an incumbent, please indicate your level of support for this legislation. If you are not an incumbent, please indicate the position you believe you would have taken.

Gwyn Green (D)	Supported/would have supported this legislation on its merits
Mary Lynn Wagner (R)	Supported/would have supported this legislation on its merits

7. Would you be likely to support state legislation to prohibit the confinement of egg-laying hens in "battery cages?"

Gwyn Green (D)	Yes
Mary Lynn Wagner (R)	Yes

8. Would you be likely to support state legislation to require that educational institutions at all levels provide (and advertise to students) an alternative to animal dissection?

Gwyn Green (D)	Yes
Mary Lynn Wagner (R)	Yes

9. Would you be likely to support state legislation prohibiting the use of elephants in traveling acts, such as circuses?

Gwyn Green (D)	Yes; I continue to be amazed at the intelligence of elephants, and their social nature (monogamy, need to be around other elephants). It is extreme cruelty to take young elephants from their mothers and vice versa. It is also cruel to separate them from their herd. I am utterly opposed to the use of elephants in circuses, where there have been documented stories of mistreatment and do not think they should be in zoos unless mother and child are kept together, and unless there are more than one elephant in the zoo.
Mary Lynn Wagner (R)	No

10. Rodeos currently enjoy a blanket exemption from the state's animal cruelty statute. Would you be likely to support legislation that would limit this exemption to those events currently sanctioned by the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association?

Gwyn Green (D)	Yes
Mary Lynn Wagner (R)	No

11. Section 33-1-101 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, states, "It is the policy of the state of Colorado that the wildlife and their environment are to be protected, preserved, enhanced, and managed for the use, benefit, and enjoyment of the people of this state and its visitors." Do you believe that all Colorado residents should have a voice in wildlife policy?	
Gwyn Green (D)	Yes
Mary Lynn Wagner (R)	Yes

12. Of the two following value statements, to which are you likely to give higher priority? =Wildlife and their environment are to be protected and preserved =Wildlife and their environment are to be managed	
Gwyn Green (D)	Wildlife and their environment are to be protected and preserved
Mary Lynn Wagner (R)	Wildlife and their environment are to be protected and preserved

13. Would you be likely to support state legislation to prohibit the hunting of captive or confined animals ("canned hunting")?	
Gwyn Green (D)	Yes
Mary Lynn Wagner (R)	Yes

14. Do you believe that Amendment 14, the anti-trapping initiative passed by Colorado voters in 1996, should be overturned or weakened in any way?	
Gwyn Green (D)	No
Mary Lynn Wagner (R)	No

The following two petition-related questions will not be used for scoring.

15. Would you be likely to support state legislation to (1) require counties to allow county-level ballot initiatives and (2) establish consistent procedures and criteria for such initiatives?	
Gwyn Green (D)	Undecided
Mary Lynn Wagner (R)	No

16. Do you think that initiating a state ballot issue should be easier, harder, or as it now is?	
Gwyn Green (D)	No answer selected; it should be harder for constitutional measures and easier for statutory measures. SCR 3 is a good measure as it raises the bar for constitutional measures and lowers it for signatures for statutory measures, which could not be overturned until five years later and then only with 2/3 of the legislature voting in the affirmative - a very high standard. I do not think our constitution should have so many amendments, as it should be a framework.
Mary Lynn Wagner (R)	As it now is

17. Would you be willing to consider factual documentation from CHVL on a given issue?	
Gwyn Green (D)	Yes
Mary Lynn Wagner (R)	Yes

This concludes our questionnaire. Please add any general comments below.	
Gwyn Green (D)	I would also like legislation to ban inhumane treatment of cows for slaughter - they are crammed into crates in a terrible fashion. - As far as felony designation for violence against animals, I would also like to see a mental health evaluation for possible treatment. I would not favor a felony designation for a child but would want a mental health evaluation and mandatory treatment. Treating animals with dignity and respect is very important to me. I like animals and feel they enhance my life.
Mary Lynn Wagner (R)	None given

Questionnaire Score	
Gwyn Green (D)	100%
Mary Lynn Wagner (R)	77%