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CANDIDATE STATEMENT FORMATTING FORM

Elections Code § 13307(b) states "That the statement of each candidate shall be printed in type of uniform size and darkness, and with uniform spacing." The Registrar of Voters and County Counsel have interpreted this code to prohibit bold font only in candidate statement formatting. Therefore, the Registrar of Voters will permit italics, underlining, bullets, capitalized words, etc. As your city's election official for municipal elections, you may desire to implement a more stringent interpretation for your candidates.

City Clerks will be responsible for enforcing formatting requirements that exceed those acceptable by the County. It is suggested that you make candidates aware of any formatting restrictions as soon as possible.

The City Clerk has final sign-off and approval of candidate statements for elected city offices. Candidate statements may be submitted to the Registrar of Voters for typesetting in accordance with the city's formatting requirements; or formatting corrections may be applied to the typeset statement transmitted to the City Clerk by the Registrar of Voters for sign-off.

(Please note: The statement shall be filed in the office of the elections official when the candidate's nomination papers are returned for filing, if it is for a primary election, or for an election for offices for which there is no primary. E.C. § 13307(2). The candidate statements may be withdrawn, but not changed, during the period for filing nomination papers and until 5:00 p.m. on the next working day after the close of the nomination period. (E.C. §13307(3))

The Registrar of Voters would like to have each city's candidate statement formatting requirements on file. Please indicate below which formatting options will be permitted for your city's candidate statements.

CAPITALIZED WORDS	☑ Permitted	☐ Not Permitted
Italics	☑ Permitted	☐ Not Permitted
Underlining	☑ Permitted	☐ Not Permitted
• Bullets	☑ Permitted	☐ Not Permitted

Other: _____

Please sign below to indicate the above formatting requirements apply to candidate statements for elected offices in your city.

City of Moreno Valley
Name of City

City Clerk Signature

June 8, 2026
Date

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