## WINDY CITY TIMES CANDIDATE QUESTIONAIRE

## JAMES DUKES

17<sup>th</sup> Ward Alderman

(Not Incumbent)

- 1. Yes
- 2. My staff has been train in sensitivity training
- 3. I am a firm support of testing, treatment and education. My 501© 3 Liberated Inc has always been a resource for counseling and testing. In conjunction with the Illinois Safety Networks Program we trained 25 Youth Advocates to be Peer Spokespersons fro HIV/AIDS
- 4. My opinion on abortion is a women has the right choose
- I believe that funding of HIV/AIDs should continue and be increased. Many have forgotten about HIV/AIDS are cease to discuss and this is very dangerous especially amongst high risk groups.
- 6. Yes
- 7. Yes
- 8. Yes
- 9. Yes
- 10. Yes
- 11. I have proposed such a school to CPS officials and are currently in the incubation stage of creating an alternative school to cater to the LGBT populous.
- 12. Absolutely Yes
- 13. No, I am not convinced that an alternative curriculum is needed to educate regardless of sexual orientation.
- 14. Yes

- 15. As a member of the Superintendent Advisory Council I strongly advocate for comprehensive community policing which incudes intensive training in culture, race and orientation.
- 16. I am not an incumbent
- 17. Crime, education, employment and opportunities are all interrelated. As we strengthen our educational system, create jobs and expose person to opportunities there will be a natural reduction in crime.
- 18. The 17<sup>th</sup> Ward biggest problem is the lack of economical development. I plan to use a combination of TIF and private dollars to bring a Call Center, A Restaurant Row and Rehab abandon buildings to address that issue.
- 19. The homeless youth crises are directly connected to the drop out rate. With the majority of resources on the Northside, I would advocate for similar resources be established in my ward.
- 20. Yes
- 21. Yes
- 22. Advocate for Education, HIV/Aids Awareness and Homelessness
- 23. The biggest problem facing the LGBT community is Youth homelessness and education.