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## 16th AD RACE HEATS UP

### YOUR \$\$\$'s ARE NEEDED NOW!

Roberta Achtenberg's campaign to win the 16th District State Assembly seat is running at full steam. As a full-time candidate, Roberta is meeting every day with members of each of the communities that make up the 16th District, gathering endorsements, volunteers and money. Support is building both here in San Francisco and across the nation, where lesbians, gay men and other feminists see this race of critical importance. Most recently, Roberta challenged her opponent, John Burton, to a public debate, but he has yet to respond to the invitation.

A very important aspect of Roberta's grassroots campaign is reaching out in a personal way to the voters in the District. Supporters are assisting with this effort in several different ways. A volunteer rally and mobilization is held every Saturday at 10:00 a.m. at the campaign headquarters. After a campaign update from Roberta, volunteers drop literature and talk to voters in various precincts around the City. Volunteers are also needed to help with other important tasks, including mailings, writing and research, entering data and answering telephones.

The campaign is signing up precinct leaders and using them to distribute information throughout the District to organize voters. Phonebanking will begin soon, and flexible daytime, evening, weekday and weekend shifts need to be staffed. House signs are available at the campaign headquarters.

A fundraising team is hard at work, bringing in money from various activities in the District. Fundraisers to be held in March include the Harvey Milk Lesbian and Gay Democratic Club event for \$25.00 on March 3, which will be held at R. Kassman Piano, 425 Hayes, near Gough from 5:30 to 7:30; there will be a \$25.00 event for Bay Area lawyers on March 7 at the Zuni Cafe (1658 Market) from 5:30 to 7:30; and on March 14, a \$125.00 fundraiser will be held in the Green Room at the War Memorial from 5:30 to 7:30. Contributions are needed now to ensure that the first openly lesbian or gay legislator in California will be elected on April 12. Donations are needed within the next ten days. Money received early in the campaign is worth twice as much as that received later on. Persons interested in hosting a fundraiser should contact Kristin Jones at 777-0909.

Presently, endorsements include the Alice B. Toklas Lesbian and Gay Democratic Club, the Harvey Milk Lesbian and Gay Democratic Club, the Stonewall Gay Democratic Club, California National Organization for Women Political Action Committee, San Francisco Tomorrow, The Greens, Supervisors Harry Britt and Dick Hongisto, College Board Members Julie Tang and Tim Wolfred and Sheriff Michael Hennessey.

For further information, please call 777-0909. Roberta's headquarters are located at 785 Market Street, 7th floor (at 4th Street, east side exit of Powell Street station).



*Achtenberg's race is being closely followed by lesbians, gay men, and feminists across the nation.*

*(Rink Photo)*