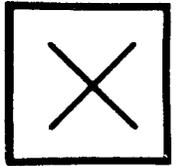


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On Wednesday, October 22nd

VITO PALMIERI



IT'S ABOUT TIME

for a sensible voice.

A third voice.





BACKGROUND

Born in Italy 1948. In 1959 Palmieri immigrated to Canada and settled in the West End, Vancouver. He was educated in Vancouver (old and new King George High School). Obtained degrees from Simon Fraser University and University of British Columbia. He is an experienced instructor and promoter of the Arts. He has been a resident in Vancouver Centre for 27 years and is politically experienced within his party and his community. His involvement in the Vancouver Accountability Panel is just an example of his commitment to the people he wishes to represent in Victoria.

UNEMPLOYMENT

Unemployment is one of our social diseases. It goes beyond not having a job. It goes beyond government not creating job opportunities. The responsibility rests squarely on our shoulders. First, a sector of our population has lost the work ethic. Secondly, we have developed a society of specialists. Thirdly, the two other parties have scared off the development of secondary industry in B.C. The closed shop tactics' of our unions have been detrimental to the development of apprenticeship programmes which have been so useful in Europe. We need:

1. A work ethic brought into focus at the elementary school level.
2. Business, as a social responsibility, to share in the cost of re-educating those displaced through technical change in exchange for tax breaks and other incentives.
3. A policy which offers extensive tax incentives or low cost loans for new secondary industries and/or further expansion of existing small business.
4. Unions must be encouraged to restructure so that they may once again truly represent their membership and be beneficial to our society.



SMALL BUSINESS

Everyone else is being looked after. It is about time that small business was recognized for it's contribution to our society. It is the backbone of our economy and responsible for over 80% of all new jobs. Small businesses are largely family owned. Many of them are successfully run by women and yet there exists a sexist attitude toward financing women. Vito wants fairness and the incentives small businesses deserve.



LOCAL TRANSPORTATION

Mr. Palmieri, a member of the Citizens' Transport Action Committee, sees room for improvement in our public transportation system. He favours an equitable cost sharing agreement between Civic, Provincial and Federal governments. There is a great deal to improve and we can examine the examples of successful solutions adopted by other cities.

ABORIGINAL RIGHTS

We often hear of multiculturalism as being a positive aspect of our society yet when we speak of our natives we are not as positive. Why? Is it that we are afraid to deal with them? If our aboriginal people have a just cause, let's deal with them honourable on an issue by issue basis as each arises. We cannot just shelf their requests for another one hundred years.

SENIORS

Having owned and operated a rest home, Vito realizes the problems faced by aging citizens; the problems of income, transportation, and accomodation. He believes that creative solutions can be found. Misconceptions held by society and misguided legislation can and must be changed. By the year 2000 our seniors population will represent 62% of the total population - Vito will be one of them.



SOCIAL SERVICES

There are always going to be times when the social safety net is necessary to meet the needs of some individuals. The system as it is now, however, is humiliating in its clumsiness. We live in times of rapid change - stress is inevitable and we should look at our social services as a form of preventative medicine. Palmieri wants to ensure that people are released from the bonds of poverty, not entrapped and held there for several generations.

CHILD CARE AND WELFARE

Unfortunately poor child care is a reality. The problem has been talked about and studied to death. The children need no more talk. Daycare as an example is an area that needs positive action. Palmieri, a father himself, cares deeply, and is aware of the needs of children.



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