

House District 1

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AGE: 32

PLACE OF BIRTH: Fairbanks, AK

NAME OF SPOUSE: Carissa Brown

CHILDREN'S NAMES: Carter & Ryder

OCCUPATION: Operations Manager

LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA: 32 years

ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:
Fairbanks, Anchorage, North Pole

EDUCATION:
IDEA (High School Diploma, 1998), UAF

POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:
Former Member, City of North Pole Economic Development Committee; Community Advisory Member, AMFAST

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:

President, North Pole Economic Development Corp.; Former President, North Pole Community Chamber of Commerce; Director, Fairbanks Convention & Visitors Bureau; Director, Christmas in Ice

SPECIAL INTERESTS:

Hunting, fishing, snowmachining, outdoor activities

OTHER:

Born and raised in Fairbanks, Paul and his wife, Carissa, are both lifelong Alaskans. They have two sons, Carter, 9, and Ryder, 4. They have made their lives in North Pole, building their own home, running a business, and being active community members in the Fairbanks and North Pole areas.

STATEMENT:

I am proud to be a Conservative and lifelong Alaskan. As a private sector business person I understand what it means to provide jobs and opportunity for my employees and their families. I understand the importance of saving for the hard times. But more importantly, I understand the importance of investing for our future. Without investment, we have no growth. Without growth, we have no opportunity, and without opportunity, we have no future.

We need to rein in spending and bring our budget back to a reasonable, sustainable level. At the same time, we need to look at investing some of our massive savings into energy relief, jobs and opportunity for Alaskans, and the infrastructure necessary to build a next-generation economy. We need to eliminate the bureaucratic hurdles stifling growth; reevaluate our oil tax structure which is clearly discouraging development; and tell the federal government and the environmental lobby to leave us alone. This is OUR STATE.

We've had forty years of oil wealth that should have built a diversified, sustainable economy for Alaska – and it didn't happen. It's time to invest in Alaska, and put our economy back on track. It's time to stop talking and start doing.

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