# Geran Tarr—House District 19 Representative—Alaska Democratic Party Primary Candidate (D)

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**Age:** 43

Place of Birth: Ohio

**Occupation:** University Faculty and Legislator

Length of Residency in Alaska: 20 years

## **Alaska Communities Lived in:**

Anchorage 1998-present Juneau 2001-2006, 2013-2018 (part-time)

#### **Education:**

Masters, Public Administration, University of Alaska Anchorage Bachelor of Science, Botany, Environmental Studies, Women's Studies, Ohio University

#### **Political and Government Positions:**

Resources Committee, Co-Chair
Health and Social Services, Joint Armed Services, Fisheries Committees, Member
Women in Government, Board Member
Council of State Governments, Westrends Board Member
Energy Council, Executive Committee

#### **Business and Professional Positions:**

University Faculty, Biology Department, UAA; Executive Director, Alliance for Reproductive Justice; Public Policy Consultant; Chief of Staff, Alaska Legislature

## **Service Organization(s) Membership:**

Alaska Resilience Initiative Alaska Women for Political Action Alaska Women's Hall of Fame

**Special Interests:** Community building and volunteer work, gardening, snowboarding, golf, yoga, hiking, fishing, camping, subsistence harvesting, travel

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#### Other:

2017 Legislator of the Year, National Association of Social Workers Alaska Chapter 2015 Class President, Council of State Governments Western Legislative Academy 2013 Legislator of the Year, Alaska Youth for Environmental Action 2012 Top 40 Under 40, Alaska Journal of Commerce

## **Position Statement:**

I'm honored to represent my hard-working neighbors in Mountain View, Airport Heights, and Russian Jack and I'm proud to be your voice in the legislature, fighting for your PFD, family wages, affordable and accessible healthcare- including mental health and substance use treatment, great schools, and investments in public safety.

We must be solution driven and find ways to solve our biggest problems. I've been working hard to do this in the areas of domestic violence and sexual assault, child abuse, and public safety. We made progress with Erin's Law and Bree's Law and with rape kit reform this year we took a significant step forward in getting dangerous criminals off our streets.

As Co-Chair of the House Resources Committee, I helped negotiate the end of the failed cash credit program saving hundreds of millions, stood up for Alaskans by asking tough questions on the Alaska gasline project, and passed measures to protect our wild Alaska salmon and improve our farm to table economy - key economic drivers for our future.

I'm working hard to earn your vote!

# My action plan:

Increase public safety investments to improve neighborhood safety for all our residents

Invest in our education system, including pre-kindergarten, technical training, community colleges, and universities

Protect Your Permanent Fund Dividend for today & the future

Strengthen & diversify our economy through new industries, innovation, training, and investment

Honor our Veterans and Military families

Protect individual rights, work for equality and equity for all, and increase citizen participation in government

