Amber M. Lee—House District 28 Representative—Alaska Democratic Party **Primary Candidate (D)**

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Place of Birth: Minerva, Ohio

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Occupation: Business and Marketing Strategist

Length of Residency in Alaska: 25 years

Alaskan Communities Lived in:

Juneau (1993-1995; 1996 – 2001) Sitka (1995-1996)

Anchorage (2001-Current)

Education:

Minerva High School, Ohio University of Alaska Southeast, BLA University of Alaska Anchorage, MFA

Business and Professional Positions:

Transcend Strategic Consulting – Co-CEO Amber Lee Strategies Marketing Consulting – Owner Gere Donovan Creative - COO Northwest Strategies - Director of Advertising GCI – Director of Marketing Alaska Communications – Marketing Manager Capital City Weekly – Editor in Chief Association of Alaska School Boards – Research Publications Specialist

Service Organization(s) Membership:

Anchorage South Rotary 100+ Women Who Care

Special Interests: Writing, reading, traveling, tidepooling, hanging out with my boys.

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Other:

I am a small business owner and the mother of two boys who attend Bear Valley Elementary in South Anchorage.

Position Statement:

I'm running because the fear of action in the Alaska Legislature is creating hopelessness in our community, and I've spent the last 25 years of my career turning challenges into opportunities. We all want the best schools, safe communities, and a thriving economy, and District 28 needs a Representative who will put people before politics to get us there. I'm committed to doing the work to ensure that Alaska's best days are in our future.

Priorities to Create a Thriving Economy

- Tackle the budget first.
- Make investments that create jobs and foster a stable economy for existing and new industry.
- Focus on opportunities for diversification in areas of technology, health care, finance, fishing, tourism, energy, and others.
- Cut existing budget items that are inefficient or wasteful.

Priorities to Create Safe Communities

- Thoughtful repeal and restructure the omnibus crime bill (SB91).
- Invest in drug treatment facilities to battle the opioid crisis.
- Fully fund public safety departments (police, troopers, fire and prosecutors).

Priorities for Education

- Create certainty around education funding and look for innovative ways to fund our schools, while tackling issues that drive up the budget—health care and retention.
- Do a more in-depth analysis of where we are not meeting expectations and look for individualized solutions—something that works in one school may not work in all schools.
- Prioritize Pre-K education.
- Prioritize investment in trade and university programs that meets future employees' needs.

