

Position Sought: House District 40 Representative
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Biographical Information

Age: 33
Place of Birth: Utqiagvik
Children's Names: Rowan and Maevyn
Occupation: Assistant Director of Human Resources
Length of Residency in Alaska: 33 Years
Alaskan Communities Lived in:
Utqiagvik
Sitka for High School

Education:
Mt. Edgecumbe High School

Political and Government Positions:
North Slope Borough School District Board of Education President

Business and Professional Positions:
Assistant Director of Human Resources, Arctic Slope Native Association
Executive Director of Human Resources, Iḷisaġvik College
Director of Human Resources, North Slope Borough School District

Service Organizations Membership:
Voice of the Arctic Iñupiat
Iḷisaġvik College Board of Trustees,
Nunaaqiuraat Tumitchiaṅit - Footprints of our Community
Association of Alaska School Boards

Other (Biographical Information):
Uvaṅa Niayuq, taniksiñiga Robyn Burke, Utqiagvigmiuguruṅa, Aakaġa Fannie Kuutuuq Akpik, asii Aapaġa Joseph Kiṅiqtaq Akpik. Aqpikkuyaaglu
Pikutquayaaglu.

I am from Utqiagvik. My grandmother was Fannie Kuutuuq Akpik, and my grandfather is Joseph Akpik. I come from the Akpik and Piquk families.

Position Statement

The needs across the North Slope and Northwest Arctic are urgent, and our district deserves a representative that will listen to the people from our communities. I will do that. I will listen. I will work collaboratively with my colleagues in the legislature to represent our region.

Good schools are an important part of our future. I was raised by an educator who fought for our young people and to maintain our language. My work and motivation is in remembrance and in recognition for my Aaka. I will work on securing adequate funding for our students, who are the future of our communities.

I will support responsible development of our resources. From the Red Dog Mine to the North Slope Oil Fields, House District 40 provides wealth for all of Alaska. We rely on subsistence hunting on our lands, rivers and oceans to sustain our physical and cultural well-being as a link to our ancestors and traditions. In order to increase infrastructure and revenues that our communities rely upon, we must support resource development while respecting the knowledge and culture of our people. We have demonstrated that we can develop our resources and protect our way of life.

Many communities need investment to address the threat of erosion, and many have no reliable public safety presence. I will work to make sure the State of Alaska serves all Alaskans, even those in our most remote communities.

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