

# House District 32 Representative

## Gary K. Damron, Registered Democrat



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**AGE:** 63

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** San Antonio, TX

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:** Larisa Bradshaw

**OCCUPATION:** Retired

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 57 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**

Anchorage 1967- 1970: Fairbanks 1971-1986:  
Anchorage 1986 - 2010: Fairbanks 2010 - present.

**EDUCATION:**

Carl Ben Eielson High School Graduate 1979  
University of Alaska Anchorage Graduate 2002  
Corrections Academy 1987  
Corrections Prisoner Transportation Academy 1988  
Drug Enforcement Administration Academy Certified  
Narcotics Officer

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

Corrections Officer I, II, & III. Special Officer Alaska  
State Troopers.

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Shift Supervisor Hiland Mountain Correctional Center.  
Prisoner Transportation Officer. Special Officer Alaska  
State Troopers. DEA Certified Narcotics Officer.

**SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS MEMBERSHIPS:**

Salcha Rescue 1980 - 1986.

**OTHER:**

I grew up on Eielson AFB and out in Salcha. I received an excellent education in High School. I moved to Anchorage in 1986 because there was no work in the interior due to the crash in oil prices. I worked and went to college at UAA graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice.

I was severely injured taking a female into custody. My neck was broken and I ruptured some disks in my lower back. In 2008 I had surgery on my low back and was disqualified for my job class. I took a regular retirement and a workplace disability.

I have a 33 year old daughter who lives in the house right next door to mine. My mother, Virginia Damron lives with me.

**STATEMENT:**

I believe that the first role of government is to protect its citizens, not only from crime, but from bad air, bad water, and super greedy corporations. The next role of government is to do and build the things that we cannot do ourselves. Building and maintenance of roads and bridges, building and running jails and prisons, building, operating, and maintaining airports, ports. Government is not the enemy some have made it out to be. The next role of government in Alaska is to fund education. This has not been happening and it is a constitutionally mandated obligation. The Founders of Alaska wanted it that way and that is the way it should be done.

Alaska has a nest egg in the Permanent Fund. The government needs money to pay for services. Oil is just not what it used be, so the earnings reserve account helps pay for the services we expect from our government.

I am running to make sure things get done. Public safety, infrastructure, education are my priorities. I want to ensure the protection of the Permanent Fund Principal, earnings reserve account, and to build and grow the fund so it will be there for future generations. Alaska has, for decades, needed a long range fiscal plan I will sit with other stakeholders to come up with a plan that is acceptable to the majority of Alaskans, not big corporations that, in the past, have taken the biggest chunk and ran with no benefit to Alaskans.

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