

Position Sought: House District 12 Representative
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Biographical Information

Age: 30
Place of Birth: Englewood, New Jersey
Occupation: Marketing
Length of Residency in Alaska: 22 years
Alaskan Communities Lived in:
Anchorage: 2002-ongoing
Education:
High School Diploma from Bettye Davis East Anchorage High School
3 Years of University of Alaska, Anchorage
Political and Government Positions:
Political Consultant for over 300 campaigns since 2018.
Legislative Staffer for Representative Jesse Sumner, Senator Mike Showers,
Senator Josh Revak
Business and Professional Positions:
-Founder of Lurtsema Communications, LLC
-Sales Associate for The Alaska Native Guide
-Red Cross Teacher

Other (Biographical Information):

Hello neighbors! I am running for State House District 12. Growing up in Alaska, I've learned there's nowhere else I'd rather live. My travels around the world have only deepened my appreciation for our home and not take it for granted. I want our community to be sustainable for future generations.

I am committed to economic development, no new taxes, protecting our natural resources, and being tough-on-crime. My passion for public service drives me to ensure residents' voices are heard. I look forward to representing our community.

Position Statement

PRO-PFD:

I support a reasonable and sustainable dividend and recognize the importance the PFD has to many Alaskans – especially as we face increasing costs and rampant inflation. I will defend the dividend while working to find the correct level of funding for essential state services.

PRO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

I support policies that foster economic growth, attract new businesses, and create jobs. I believe that a strong economy is the foundation of a prosperous community. By advocating for infrastructure improvements, education, and workforce development – I aim to ensure that our region remains competitive and attractive to investors.

PRO-RESPONSIBLE NATURAL RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT:

I promote the sustainable use of natural resources, ensuring they are developed responsibly to benefit the community while protecting the environment. I believe that it is possible to harness our natural resources in a way that supports economic growth while preserving the beauty and health of our environment for future generations.

EFFICIENT GOVERNMENT SPENDING AND TAXATION TRANSPARENCY:

I believe that taxation should be the last resort of government, and that we first should work to ensure that government spending is efficient and prioritizes the needs of Alaskans. I also support having any new taxes put before the people for a vote prior to being implemented.

NO GOVERNMENT OVERREACH:

I stand against unnecessary government intrusion in the lives of citizens and businesses. I advocate for policies that protect individual freedoms and promote personal responsibility.

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