Lyn D. Franks – House District 15 Representative – Democratic Nominee

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Age: 65

Place of Birth: Winter Haven, Florida

Children’s Name(s): Sarah, Jenny, and Joshua

Occupation: UAA Adjunct Instructor, History

Length of Residency in Alaska: 26 Years

Alaskan Communities Lived in:
Anchorage 1988-2003
Palmer 2003-2005
Anchorage 2005-Present

Education:
Western Carolina University, BS Recreational Leadership; Minor, History, 1977
MA Murray State University, History, 2011

Political and Government Positions:
Past HD15 Chair

Service Organization(s) Membership:
AFACT (Anchorage Faith Action Congregations Together)
Alaska Center
March On Alaska

**Special Interests:**
Musician. Kayaker. Exercise enthusiast. And all things outdoors. I’m mother to three adult children and grandmother to four grandchildren.

**Other:**
As a former military spouse, I bring knowledge and understanding to the particular needs of state-controlled veterans' funds, the National Guard, and the Alaska State Defense Force. I understand and respect the particular needs of military service members and families in my district.

**Position Statement:**
I'm honored to be running in the Democratic primary for the Alaska State House to represent HD15 in Juneau.

I've spoken with hundreds of our neighbors, and I consistently hear that you want to protect our PFD. I believe that the full statutory PFD must be enshrined in the Alaska Constitution, and that our Armed Service Members do not lose their PFDs during extended absences.

Voters in our district tell me the tax burden should be fair. They are frustrated with big oil and gas companies who don't pay their fair share to support public services. Letting them off the hook while Alaskans bear the burden is unacceptable.

Our district struggles with crime including domestic violence, mail theft, and the tragedy of missing and murdered indigenous women. I will work hard for our neighborhoods to make sure Alaska State Troopers are properly prepared to address these issues, and that municipalities receive enough state support to help keep Alaskans safe in their homes and communities.
As a UAA adjunct instructor, I have seen first-hand how the deep cuts in funding for Preschool-12th grade and Alaska's university system have hurt our students and sabotaged the future of our state. Education must be forward-funded to properly plan for the future.

I'm Lyn Franks. I love our NE Muldoon community, and I'm asking for your vote so I can take our positive vision to Juneau and work hard with integrity to make it even better.