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Political and Government Positions:
Alaska State Representative – 2019-Present

Other:
Fairbanks born and raised, I’m proud of the work we did together. In addition to representing District 4, I recently married a wonderful Fairbanks woman and kept working on our home in Goldstream. As your legislator, I worked on the Education, State Affairs and Resources Committees while chairing the Special Committee on Energy. I worked to pass landmark energy legislation, energy efficiency and clean air incentives, expanded arts in schools, funded wildfire prevention, stabilized early childhood education and fought to reverse devastating vetoes. When not in Juneau, I also work for Alaska’s educators; as a product of our public schools, I understand listening to parents, students, and educators’ voices, our students can have the tools to succeed.

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Fairbanks taught me to work with everybody. I look forward to representing your voice.

**Position Statement:**
I believe in the power of our communities. I was raised with our neighborhood values of compassion, open mindedness, and tenacity. I've spent my personal and professional life fighting for Alaskans and know what it takes to reach solutions on the challenges before us—pandemic recovery, our university and public schools, long term fiscal plan, our environment, healthcare, and equality for all our neighbors.

I'm proud of the work we did together. We defended against devastating vetoes, budgeted responsibly, protected the permanent fund, funded wildfire prevention, created an energy plan lowering costs and bringing more renewable energy, and acted to support Alaska against the pandemic. These were some of the strangest years in Alaska's history, but with your support, and working across parties and geography we overcame unimaginable obstacles.

We still have lots to do. Alaska's student debt cripples younger generations, healthcare costs continue to rise, and our state's long-term fiscal plan still must be our priority to build a healthy state. We must create stable and sustainable revenue that stops boom and bust budgeting. I support revenue that comes from a variety of sources, not just reliant on oil, so we can plan our future, not rely on hope. Investing in Alaska for long term gain instead of spending everything coming in will create a stronger education system, university and economy.

Legislators must listen to Alaskans of every stripe, especially those on the front lines building and educating our state, and together we'll create the future Alaskans deserve.

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