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<b>Office and position sought (e.g. LD 50 legislature, position 2)</b>
LD-46 House Pos #1
<b>Are you an incumbent running for re-election?</b>
Yes
<b>Have you ever served in an elected position? If so, what position, and when?</b>
46th District House Pos #1 since December 2011
<b>How many other Democratic candidates are there in your race (at the time you fill this out)?</b>
0
<b>I am willing to be identified with the Democratic Party (except judicial candidates)</b>
Yes
<b>Link to campaign web page and/or Facebook and other Social Media</b>
<a href="https://www.gerrypollet.com/">https://www.gerrypollet.com/</a>
<b>Term of office</b>
2 years
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<b>Do you agree to not accept campaign donations from fossil fuel companies?</b>
Yes
<b>Have you signed or will you sign the No Fossil Fuel Money Pledge (<a href="https://nofossilfuelmoney.org">https://nofossilfuelmoney.org</a>)?</b>
Yes

**Why are you running for this position? What in your background has led you to run? (100 word limit)**

My commitment has always been to stand up for the public interest. I will continue to be a champion in the many efforts we need to fight climate change; reduce our greenhouse gas emissions; protect our air and water; reduce use and exposure to toxics; cleanup contamination; and advance environmental justice. Every one of these efforts face powerful opposition.

I will continue to advance Democratic principles to expand opportunity through public education and the right for every person to be healthy and housed.

I will continue to be a champion to make our tax system fair for all Washingtonians.

**What are your most significant accomplishments on environment and climate change?**

I led the State ballot initiatives that stopped the federal government from using Hanford as a national radioactive waste dump. After graduating from UW Law School, I chose to dedicate his career to fighting for environmental justice. I took on the nuclear weapons industry to end Plutonium production at Hanford and forcing the US Department of Energy to clean up the most contaminated area in North America by founding and continuing to lead the region's leading citizens' group working for the cleanup of Hanford (Heart of America Northwest Hanfordcleanup.org).

I've been a leader in the fight against climate change for over 20 years. I was one of the leaders of the multi-year legislative effort to end Washington State's use of fossil fuels for electricity. He worked with Sierra Club, 350, Columbia Riverkeeper and other organizations to develop groundbreaking legislation to require Washington State to consider the "life-cycle" methane emissions from fossil fuel facilities, which has helped end the threat of new coal or methane export facilities in Washington.

As Chair of the House Local Government Committee, I've shepherded legislation through the House to have all local government land use and traffic plans include reducing our local contributions to climate change through the Growth Management Act, as well as increasing density in urban areas near transit.

Most importantly, I'm committed to developing and mentoring a new generation of attorneys working to protect the environment, protect Treaty rights and promote environmental justice. I run the region's only Tribal and Environmental law program for law students in collaboration with the Yakama Nation and Center for Indian Law and Policy. I also a faculty member in the only major university public health program in the US with a core mission of undoing racism in public health practice and education (UW School of Public Health Community Oriented Public Health Practice Program).

**Briefly list organizations, events, rallies, canvassing, referendums, or petitions you have engaged in to advocate for environmental protections?**

- One of the coauthors and co-lobbyist for the Growth Management Act
- Worked for two years with Tribal Nations to develop and pass HB 1717. signed into law on March 31, ensuring the rights of Tribes with Treaty rights to lands and resources affected by Growth Management Act plans to participate in development of those plans.
- Model Toxics Control Act (state toxics cleanup law) coauthor, organizational leader; served many years on Ecology advisory committee, developed state's human health risk exposure rules
- Author and Director of campaign which stopped Hanford from being nation's High-Level Nuclear Waste Dump (Ref 40)
- Co-author and director of 2004 statewide ballot initiative to end use of unlined trenches at Hanford for nuclear weapons waste “ continue to serve as Director of Heart of America Northwest, the leading group working for cleanup of Hanford in close collaboration with affected Tribes.
- One of lead legislators for legislation that commits us to end use of fossil fuels for electricity generation in Washington
- Developed legislation with Sierra Club, 350, others to require consideration of life-cycle greenhouse gas (especially methane) emissions from all fossil fuel projects (Governor adopted by Executive Order)(HB 1597, 2472 2019-20)
- Developed and passed strongest law in US to protect children from lead contamination in school drinking water (Q12.)

**If elected or re-elected what specific environment, climate change, biodiversity, and environmental justice legislation will you prioritize and champion?**

As chair of the Local Government Committee, my top priority for 2023 is to complete our unfinished work to ensure local governments' plans reduce greenhouse gas emissions (e.g., vehicle miles traveled) and include other efforts to fight climate change as part of the Growth Management Act. I will continue to propose and move legislation to increase transit-oriented housing development, including preventing displacement of communities of color. I will continue to work on legislation and budgets which reduce exposures to toxics in air, water and consumer products which have disparately high health effects on persons of color and low income communities.

**For state office positions, what action will you take to accelerate efforts towards Washington State's 2030 Climate Goals, specifically a 45% reduction of carbon pollution below 1990 levels?**

I will continue to work to pass inclusion of the mandate for local governments to include greenhouse gas emission reduction as part of their GMA planning (see above). As Chair of the Local Government Committee, I will also continue to champion passage of new building codes that are necessary to meet our goals.