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Candidate's name
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Candidate's phone number
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Office and position sought (e.g. LD 50 legislature, position 2)
House of Representatives, 18th LD, position 1
Are you an incumbent running for re-election?
No
Have you ever served in an elected position? If so, what position, and when?
First-time candidate
How many other Democratic candidates are there in your race (at the time you fill this out)?
zero
I am willing to be identified with the Democratic Party (except judicial candidates)
Yes
Link to campaign web page and/or Facebook and other Social Media
www.ElectJohnZingale.com
Term of office
2 years
Campaign manager contact information (name, email, phone number)
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Do you agree to not accept campaign donations from fossil fuel companies?
Yes
Have you signed or will you sign the No Fossil Fuel Money Pledge (https://nofossilfuelmoney.org)?
Yes
Why are you running for this position? What in your background has led you to run? (100 word limit)

The hardworking families of Southwest Washington need a new voice. They need someone who has seen first-hand the challenges and successes that they've had the last decade. I hear everyday from my students, and their families, what matters to them and what their concerns are for our future. As a Social Studies teacher who promotes active citizenship, I can no longer stand idly by when I feel their voices aren't being heard. All children and their families deserve representation that will listen to them and fight for their needs, including our communities that have traditionally been left behind and marginalized.

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

Being that I am a first-time candidate my biggest accomplishments would be taking part in rallies and petitions for the environment. As a Social Studies teacher, I also made sure to include environmental issues into our class so that students can research, learn, and advocate to their senators and congresswoman about them. I have also been an early adopter for hybrid vehicles and fully electric cars.

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

I went to and supported the Greenpeace USA activists blockading Shell's icebreaker in Portland in July of 2015, I have signed petitions to stop the oil terminal in Vancouver and the Nestle bottling plant on the Columbia River. I have supported Sierra Club and Greenpeace throughout the years as well.

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

In our efforts to be forward thinking about climate change and policies, we must also acknowledge that certain populations have not been included in past decisions and that we must ensure they have a seat at the table. If we are to remove dams across the state, to help bring back salmon and other fish, we must have a plan in place to make sure the electric power and shipping transportation are not lost. I am open to looking at, and supporting, new and innovative ideas that will help us protect Washington and allow us to be a leader in policy and implementation for the country.

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 believe that we need to be forward thinking with our climate policies. One such policy that comes to mind is just like one that California has; making sure that new single-family homes and multi-family dwellings up to three stories high must install solar panels when built. If we can implement this now we can be build for a future that is less reliant on the power grid. Then we can look at retrofitting older homes as well. I think we should also look at making sure all new construction is built for the electrification of vehicles and making sure they have the outlets needed built into the same new construction. As an electric car owner that was confused by the Washington State incentive program, I also believe we need to make make the incentive much easier to understand to help support the adoption of these cars so we can transition faster away from internal combustion engine vehicles. To also help with the transition to electric cars I think we should work on building private/public partnerships around the building and maintenance of charging stations. Many people are leery of "range anxiety," so if certain companies worked with us to create more charging points that will assist in easing the anxiety many drivers would face.