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Candidate's name

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Office and position sought (e.g. LD 50 legislature, position 2)

State Senate, 5th LD

Are you an incumbent running for re-election?

No

Have you ever served in an elected position? If so, what position, and when?

Yes, I served on the Issaquah City Council 2018-2025, I served as a State Rep during the 2025 legislative session after being elected last year, and I am currently the appointed State Senator for the 5th LD running to retain my seat. (Note that on the last question, I am the incumbent running to retain (rather than be re-elected to) my seat).

How many other Democratic candidates are there in your race (at the time you fill this out)?

none

Yes

I am a Democrat or I am willing to be identified with the Democratic Party (judicial candidates mark as noted)

Links to your campaign website and/or Facebook or your most informative venue

http://victoriahunt.com/

Term of office

special election

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Why are you running for this position? What in your background has led you to run? (Not to exceed 150 words)

It is my honor to serve the 5th LD as State Senator. Senator Bill Ramos suddenly and tragically passed away in late April and I am running as his replacement to uphold his legacy and to continue my public service for the 5th LD. I am running to fight for improvements on SR 18, as well as improve road safety throughout the district, to fully fund K-12 education so all our students can thrive, to protect our environment and especially to protect against wildfire, and to work with our cities to address our housing shortage in the region.

Please explain how your campaign will address donations from utilities, fossil fuel companies, and corporate PACs?

I do not accept donations from fossil fuel companies.

What are your most significant accomplishments either as an individual, member of a group, or elected official on environment and climate change?

As a first term legislator and a climate scientist I was proud to co-sponsor an important bill regarding wildfire response that was signed by the Governor this past session. The bill updated our wildfire response system to allow state crews to be deployed sooner and it allows us as a state to aid local fire forces and contain wildfires quicker. Understanding the threats of climate change and the importance of having responses in place made this bill an exciting legislative accomplishment and I hope to do more of this work next session.

Briefly list organizations, events, rallies, canvassing, referendums, petitions, or policies and legislation you have engaged in to advocate for environmental protections.

In just one year in the legislature I have supported legislation that has modernized our Clean Energy Transformation Act, improved our wildfire response readiness, increased transit infrastructure, worked against pollutants in our air and water, held polluters accountable, protected marine ecosystems, and improved our environmental standards for new buildings. I bring important expertise to the Legislature on these issues as a PhD ecologist, and will continue to be a strong advocate for environmental protections.

If elected or re-elected what specific environment, climate change, biodiversity, transportation, building and land use, growth management, and/or environmental justice legislation will you prioritize and champion?

I will prioritize legislation that: works to reduce our carbon emissions, aids our green transition and bolsters our clean energy, provides green jobs, improves our emergency responses, targets pollutants and polluters in our air and water, building clean and future-proof buildings, and legislation that focuses on protecting our marine ecosystems.

Washington State law sets a target of 90.5 million metric tons (MMT) carbon pollution by 2020, but greenhouse gas emissions rose last year to 102 MMT (Department of Ecology). The state is not on-track. 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?

There is a lot we have to do to reduce our carbon pollution. I am the chief data officer for a company that helps cities and counties across the country achieve their climate action goals by providing them with greenhouse gas emissions data, so this is an area of policy that I am particularly motivated to work on. We need to continue investing in clean energy and moving away from fossil fuels. Beyond transitioning to more clean energy we need to work on upgrading our grid so that clean energy sources can be more effectively utilized for clean, reliable and affordable energy for our communities.