**Candidate for 23rd LD Executive Board Statement – Primary Position: Bainbridge Island School District and Secondary Position: At Large for the 2021/2022 .**

Service to my community is at my core. Upon moving to Bainbridge Island, I began to advocate for inclusive education, climate justice, and affordable housing. I raised money for the annual Indigenous Peoples’ Day and Housing Resources Bainbridge. I also helped seed the island’s first Race Equity Task Force.

I most recently served as Campaign Manager for the Tarra Simmons Campaign. As a new member of the Kitsap County and 23rd Legislative District Democrats, I was appointed as PCO and Secretary of the E-Board. I made over 7,000 calls to voters, applied for organizational endorsements, and attended countless community meetings, learning about their legislative priorities. This gave me insight into the diversity of the district – geographically, economically, demographically, and ideologically, as well as people’s unmet needs and a desire for both change *and* preservation.

During my time at Microsoft, our team was responsible for infusing equity into our 20,000 attendee events, focused on meeting facilitation for adult learning and team development. I believe that our future meetings will require those skills, as we increase membership and create inclusive, engaging, and productive meetings. Last, as the Chair of the Events Committee, I am committed to raising money to make good on our mission *and* fund new efforts, such as member sponsorship to events like the State Committee and Democratic National Conventions.

I know that the right kind of change is on the horizon for the Democratic party in 2021. I hope to contribute to a high functioning and inclusive 23rd LD.