

Declaration of Candidacy

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Candidate Statement

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Age 43

In 2018, I first ran for public office on a vision and belief that Santa Cruz should be a place that is affordable for all, embraces diversity, protects their environment, and works towards creating a safe and healthy community. As an environmental scientist, City Council member, Mayor, California Coastal Commissioner, and your County Supervisor, I have worked towards making that vision a reality.

I have dedicated my service to increasing housing affordability, supporting small businesses, expanding tenant protections, strengthening disaster preparedness and recovery efforts, balancing environmental protection with development, enhancing access to mental health and homeless services, and supporting infrastructure improvements among other issues.

I have worked collaboratively with community members, local organizations, and regional partners to advance policies that promote health, equity, sustainability, and economic opportunity. I'm particularly proud of leading a statewide effort by local communities to protect our coast from offshore drilling.

During my years of service, we have accomplished so much together, but there is more that needs to be done. That's why I am running for re-election and asking for your vote. With your support and on your behalf, I'll continue to work to preserve the values that make Santa Cruz a community for everyone.