

KARUK TRIBE

LETTER OF INTENT FOR CANDIDACY

Name of Candidate: Richard Goodwin
Tribal Roll #: 158
Candidate for: Happy Camp Member at Large



Richard Goodwin

CANDIDATE STATEMENT

Ayukkii,

My name is Richard Goodwin, I am 61 years old. I have lived in Happy Camp a good part of my life.

I retired from the forest service 6 years ago after a 35-year career.

During this time, I had the opportunity to work with federal, state, and local agencies as the assistant center manager in a dispatch center. During this time, I developed and exercised the implementation of operational plans. Developed productive working relations with cooperators at the county, state, and federal levels to reach common goals. I worked closely with management teams to ensure the proper methods and techniques were adhered to on any given incident.

I am running to help our tribe build-up our cultural activities and work towards and advocate for tribal control over forest management.

The Slater fire destroyed thousands of acres of trees and plants as well as the loss of wildlife. The most recent fires are devastating the Klamath river and killing an entire ecosystem. I believe it is our responsibility as Karuk people to maintain what little is left thriving in our ancestral lands and preserve the sacred forest for future generations, before it is too late.

Work towards streamlining our economic development by venturing into business opportunities that will give the tribe independence from taking federal grants to run programs.

To further serve the needs of the community by building upon and adding to existing programs with an emphasis on cultural awareness.

As a council member, I would serve with integrity and willingness, have empathy, and listen to what people say.

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Richard Goodwin

Signature: Richard Goodwin

Date: 8/16/22