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## Required Information:

Occupation: Executive Director, Good News Community Health Center

Occupational Background: Captain, US Army (Active)

Educational Background: US Military Academy - West Point, BS; Sam Barlow High School

Prior Governmental Experience: None

## **Optional Information:**

We bear a heavy responsibility to ensure that our kids are raised to innovate, inspire, and lead in our neighborhoods and state. This responsibility starts in the home, then the classroom, and into the community. We have great momentum, with new and improved schools and technology on the horizon. But the hard work of preparing kids is not merely a brick and mortar solution. It is an enduring partnership between parents, students, educators, administrators, and businesses.

Your school board is the guardian of that partnership. In the next four years, it will oversee the hiring of a new superintendent and the successful execution of the bond.

I am a non-profit executive, challenged to steward lean dollars from the public trust toward people's vital needs, to bring varied stakeholders together for community benefit, and to ensure equitable access to opportunities for all neighbors. I intend to bring these same skills to the Gresham-Barlow School Board.

I am a product of the GBSD system, a West Point graduate, a combat veteran, and dad to four (current and future) GBSD students.

My experiences in service and leadership, my love for my own kids and their friends and classmates, and my affection for a community I have always called home, have compelled me to run for school board.

Let's stand together for a bright future for our district and community!

## Partial list of endorsements:

Stand for Children, Inc.

Sue Piazza, Business Owner
Robyn Jones, Owner, Jones Group Realtors
Michael Patrick, Broker
Jim Ekstrom, Business Owner
Gene & Linda Saling, Retired GBSD teachers
Jacqueline Dalby, Retired PPS teacher, parent of GBSD graduates
Alison & Brandon Gentry, GBSD parents
Jeff Olson, GBSD parent
Valerie Ing, DO, GBSD graduate
Dominique Cruz-Reyes, GBSD graduate
Rick Bolesta, Faculty/Administrator MHCC
Marshall Christensen, PhD, Former President, Warner Pacific

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