

House District 31 Representative

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AGE: 51

PLACE OF BIRTH: Fairbanks, AK

SPOUSE'S NAME: John Dibert

CHILDREN'S NAMES: Cheyenne Dibert, Christopher Dibert

OCCUPATION: Legislator

LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA: 51

ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:
Fairbanks, AK (1975 - Present)

EDUCATION:
Bachelors of Ed. - UAF, Masters of Ed. - Lesley University

POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:
Representative, Alaska State House (2022 - Present)

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:
Teacher - Fairbanks North Star Borough School District;
UAF - Summer Sessions Educator; Curriculum Developer -
Association of Interior Native Educators; Consultant - "Molly
of Denali", WGBH/PBS

SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS MEMBERSHIPS:
Greater Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce; NAACP

SPECIAL INTERESTS:
Running, Hiking, XC skiing, Snowboarding, Reading

OTHER:
I am Koyukon Athabascan with deep roots in Alaska. I was born and raised in Fairbanks, the town where I met my husband John, a smokejumper, and where we raised our two great kids. Before being elected as the Representative for HD31, I was a teacher here for over two decades. It is an honor to serve the community that raised me and to keep working for the people of Fairbanks.

STATEMENT:
I've lived in the district I represent for my entire life. I care deeply about our community. In 2022, I ran with a promise to truly represent all people of Fairbanks. Over the last four years I have done just that by championing education, affordable childcare, and responsible resource development that creates good jobs. My priorities are:

Affordable and Reliable Energy:
We need to lower the cost of energy in Fairbanks. I'm working to bring affordable natural gas to Fairbanks and to diversify the grid with more sources including renewables

Education:
As a former Fairbanks teacher, I have seen firsthand the challenges our schools are facing, especially as class sizes grow and more schools close. I will keep fighting to make sure every student has the opportunity to get an education that will set them up for success in life.

Economic Development:
As Co-Chair of the House Resources Committee I continue to promote responsible resource development. I support our trade unions and their emphasis on training and hiring Alaskans. I am working with colleagues and businesses to design solutions that promote workforce development, recruitment, and retention.

Seniors:
Fairbanks should be a place that supports our elders by providing activities, services, and health care, allowing senior residents to stay in our community and maintain a high quality of life.

Protecting the PFD:
I am fighting for large PFDs that can be sustained for generations.

Balanced Budget:
I advocate for fiscally responsible budgets that don't draw from savings.

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