

Position Sought: House District 6 Representative

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Biographical Information

Age: 71

Place of Birth: Seldovia

Spouse's Name: Judy

Children's Names: Christopher, Samantha, Nathan, Carey, Violet, Ginger

Occupation: Commercial Fisherman

Length of Residency in Alaska: 71 years

Alaskan Communities Lived in:

Homer 1955-59, Clam Gulch 1959-2026.

Education:

Ninilchik High School graduate

Political and Government Positions:

Kenai-Soldotna Fish & Game Advisory Committee 1985-2002 (chairman 2002)

Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission 1995-2010

Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly 2010-2016, 2019-2025 (president 2022-2024)

Kenai Peninsula Borough Board of Equalization 2014-2025

Service Organizations Membership:

Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association (1988-2002, 2005-2026, president 2006-2020).

Kenai Peninsula College Council (2023-2026)

Cook Inlet Regional Citizens Advisory Council (2024-2026)

Special Interests:

Kasilof Historical Association (current president)

Kenai Peninsula Historical Association (president 2008-2010)

Other (Biographical Information):

Following our church recommendations, we started our children in homeschool.

Three years later we enrolled them in a church school. A couple years later we put them in public school, and that fit our family best.

My employment has been in setnetting, land surveying, truck driving and operating equipment.

Position Statement

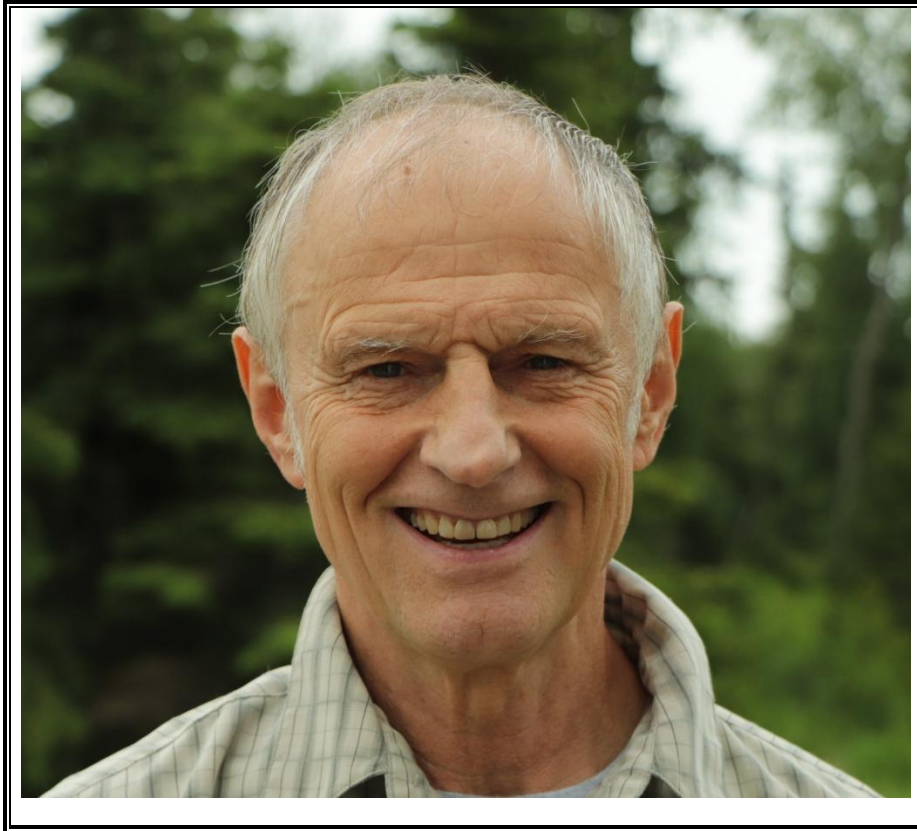
I support increased funding for education, as demonstrated by my sponsorship of KPB Assembly Resolution 2025-19, which increased school funding to “the cap.” Working with colleagues is a strength, as seen by Resolution 2025-19 passing by an 8-1 vote. I might add, in 2025 the Mayor and Assembly cut the general fund mill rate from 4.3 mills to 3.85 mills.

Alaska king salmon stocks are weak. Cook Inlet east side setnetters have been closed four years, while king salmon sportfishing has suffered tremendously. Scientists blame warming oceans. How long will it take to cool the ocean? King salmon stocks need help sooner and so do fishers. I believe there are ways to allow setnetters to harvest sockeye without impacting king salmon. Alaska should participate in the battle against global warming, and on the short term we should demand reduction in the trawl fleet by-catch. Wasting over 20,000 king salmon annually is unacceptable. The same is true of the trawler’s impact on halibut, crab and ocean floor environments.

Clams have also declined precipitously on the Ninilchik-Clam Gulch beaches. I’d like to see razor clams transplanted from the west side.

The Permanent Fund dividend formula should be presented to the people in a public opinion vote. Options from a “statutory formula,” (with a corresponding impact on taxes) to a dividend of \$1,000 should be presented. Including ways to adjust for inflation. Personally, I believe the Permanent Fund principle should grow faster than inflation.

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