

CANDIDATE STATEMENT

RECORDING SECRETARY

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Hello!

I have been a life-long Democrat, and I currently serve as the Recording Secretary for the Clallam County Democratic Executive Board—a position I have held for the past two years. I was recently honored by the Clallam County Democratic Party as the *2016 Democratic Woman of the Year*.

I was born in San Francisco and grew up with Democratic politics. My father was a good friend of George Moscone, the former Democratic mayor of San Francisco who was assassinated in 1978, along with Harvey Milk. Moscone Center, San Francisco's largest convention center and exhibition hall, is named after him.

After receiving my BA degree in the German language and a teaching certificate, my husband and I moved to a small town near the Russian River (Forestville), where I taught high school German and English classes.

When an opportunity arose that I couldn't resist, I made a career change to work in the area of economic development. On retirement, I worked at the Economic Development Board of Sonoma County, which was an amazing opportunity.

My husband and I made our most recent move—to Port Angeles—over eleven years ago. Instead of purchasing a more traditional home, we chose to merge our interests in historical structures with supporting the downtown core by purchasing the building which has housed the Headquarters of the Clallam County Democratic Party.

I am proud to say that I have voted for every Democratic nominee for U.S. President since Jimmy Carter defeated Ronald Reagan. I am also proud to say that I worked on Mark Ozias' campaign for county commissioner in 2015.

I have supported and voted for liberal causes in both California and in Washington, including raising the minimum wage and getting big money out of politics.

Sincerely,

Catherine Harper