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Fellow 34th District Democrats,

White nationalists at our back door

In January when I was elected chair I told you all that Buren would be our #1 priority for 2017. The urgency has increased unimaginably since then. The fight between fascism and democracy has been brought to our front door. Anti-immigrant white nationalists are targeting Burien - one of the most diverse communities in the state - as the next place to bring their hate-fueled anti-immigrant ideas. They're led by West Seattle resident Craig Keller, who organized Respect Washington's petition to repeal Burien's Sanctuary City ordinance, an effort which narrowly succeeded in getting enough signatures to qualify for the November ballot. Respect Washington is primarily funded by US Inc., an anti-immigrant group that publishes white-nationalist and white supremacist literature. They've got allies on the Burien City Council, they've got a slate of candidates running for each of the open positions on the Burien City Council, including a lunatic white nationalist beauty salon owner who's challenging our endorsed candidate, incumbent Nancy Tosta - and before you shrug it off as unthinkable someone like that could win it's important to note that she led Nancy in the primary. This could happen, and it could happen here of all places.

Hate has no home in the 34th

If white nationalists are successful in Burien, a diverse community just 10 miles from downtown Seattle, they will do terrible things. Expect raids on homes of people who "don't look American," expect laws requiring teachers, doctors and other caregivers to report on student, patients and customers who "don't look or sound American." Laws like these likely wouldn't survive legal challenges, but that wouldn't stop them from sending immigrants into the shadows, making even legal immigrants afraid to go about their daily lives. We mustn't let this happen, not on our watch. We need to come together, to stand arm in arm with immigrants and other decent, caring Burienites and send Keller and the white nationalists a clear message that hate has no place in Burien, and no home in the 34th!

The campaign to save Burien

Community leaders and elected officials are joining together to save Burien. We'll be partnering with the 33rd District and Labor to save Burien. No organization is positioned to do more in that effort than the 34th District Democrats. With our PCOs and volunteers we could knock on every door in Burien and leave no voter behind. We have the organizing talent to make that happen. We have one of

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September 13, 2017 Meeting Notice

The Hall at Fautleroy, 9131 California Ave SW
Across from the YMCA - Parking behind the Hall
Accessible by Metro "C" Line

- 6:30 Potluck Social Time, please bring a dish to share
- 7:00 Call to Order
- Opening Ceremonies
 - Pledge of Allegiance
 - VIP Acknowledgements
 - Recognition and awards
 - Carrie Alexander, Treina Aronson and the Garden Party volunteers
 - Steve Butts, Karen Richter and the Outreach Committee and Volunteers
 - Laborers 242
- Review and Approval of the Minutes and Agenda
 - Approval of the Minutes
 - Adoption of the Agenda
- Reports of Officers and Standing Committees
 - Reports of Officers
 - Chair's Report
 - Membership and Treasurer's Report
- 7:30 Program: Let's Save Burien!
- Unfinished Business - None
- 8:30 New Business - Consideration of Resolutions
 - Resolution Urging Our Elected Officials to Defend DACA Recipients (See Page 6)
 - Resolution Urging Opposition to Unconstitutional S. 720 and HB 1697 (See Page 6)
- Announcement re: Winning as an Intersectional Candidate with Congresswoman Jayapal
- Appointment of PCOs
- Endorsements may be considered
- 8:50 Good of the Order
- Adjourn to Whiskey West

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the strongest Democratic organizations in the state. In Seattle there is bickering among Democrats about whether your Democrat or my Democrat should be elected mayor. From where we sit in the 34th, that's small potatoes. Burien is facing a choice between a radical right-wing cabal aiming to make life very uncomfortable for everyone who isn't white and a set of candidates who will respect the entire community in all of its beautiful diversity.

Burien needs all of us, and that means YOU

What can you do to help? Come to our next meeting on September 13th and hear from local elected officials and community leaders about what's at stake in Burien. Learn about canvassing efforts under way to reach out to voters. Learn about the new Burien for All PAC that's been formed by State Representative Joe Fitzgibbon, Burien City Councilmember Lauren

Berkowitz and nightlife entrepreneur Dave Meinert to help raise money to support candidates who will defend all of Burien: Krystal Marx, Pedro Olguin, Jimmy Matta, and [Nancy Tosta](#). Sign up to walk a Burien precinct or two or three or more. Contribute to the 4 Democrat candidates we've endorsed: [Krystal Marx](#), [Pedro Olguin](#), [Jimmy Matta](#), and Nancy Tosta. Contribute to Burien Represent. Contribute to Burien for All. This fight has never been more real, more urgent, more close to home. We need all hands on deck in the fight to Save Burien.

See you Wednesday, September 13th at 7PM.

In solidarity,

David Ginsberg
Chair, 34th District Democrats

A Case For Supporting Jenny Durkan for Mayor

Dear 34th District Friends:

I urge you to endorse Jenny Durkan for Mayor. Here is why she is the most qualified and, I would add, the most appropriate person for the 34th District Democrats to endorse.

1. Jenny has unmatched credentials as a Democrat.

She interned with Mike Lowry when he was a member of Congress. She successfully fought the Republican's efforts to thwart Christine Gregoire's election as Governor. She was appointed as US Attorney by President Barack Obama

2. Jenny is a progressive and effective leader.

As U.S Attorney she was on the frontlines for social justice and was the first openly gay person appointed as US Attorney. Jenny promised to work for police reform and she did in face of fierce opposition of Mayor McGinn.

She fought for LGBTQ rights including marriage equality, and prioritized hate crime prosecutions and enforced fair housing laws. She has successfully worked with civil rights and immigrant rights organizations in including:

- ACLU
- El Centro de la Raza,

- Mothers for Police Accountability,
 - NAACP,
 - The Northwest Immigrant Rights Project (NWIRP) and OneAmerica
- 3. She has given freely of her skills and training while in the private practice of law.**
- Recently she went to SeaTac with the ACLU and NWIRP to make sure people who arrived here lawfully could stay when Trump sought to ban Muslims
- 4. She is the right person to lead this City at this time.**

In her announcement speech, she said "neither Donald Trump, nor Jeff Sessions is going to tell us how to run our city, protect our people or build our future. And they do not want to pick a fight with me."

Given her life-long record of courageous progressive and successful leadership as a Democrat and as US Attorney, Jenny Durkan is the candidate for Mayor we should endorse for Mayor.

Thank you and see you soon!

Tom Rasmussen



34th Democrats volunteer for our first Adopt-a-Street work party



Eric Cameron labels drains on 16th Avenue SW.

