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Local Leader Derek Chartrand Announces 2020 Congressional Bid

Redmond, WA — Congressional candidate and local resident Derek Chartrand announced today his candidacy for Washington’s 1st District—currently held by Suzan DelBene. Seeing the country divided for too long, Derek looks to usher in common sense and civility as the cornerstones of his campaign to bring prosperity to all residents in the 1st District.

Derek said, “I am excited to listen, learn and deliver on the needs of Washington’s 1st District in the pursuit of their American Dream.” Derek was born and raised in western Washington and has grown up with a deep passion for charting one’s own course.

Derek was raised in Redmond, attending public schools; but then had the opportunity to attend local English schools for two years when his Father accepted a two-year transfer to London from Boeing. Derek finished high school at Lake Washington in Kirkland, briefly pursued Investment Banking, and then started college here in Washington before attending UC Berkeley. From there, he has pursued a career in technology and environmental engineering, returning to Washington and the 1st District to raise a family of three with his wife Rose.

Broad life experiences have provided Derek with perspective and compassion for the challenges we are and will face shortly. Derek said “living through the dot-com burst, 9/11, The Great recession of 2008, and now COVID-19 has taught me that we must have leaders that have first-hand experience of what residents will face if we are to achieve a brighter tomorrow.” Derek’s congressional campaign emphasizes a need for strong public education in all our communities, compassionate and common-sense solutions for our veterans, active duty service men and women and their families, rewarding environmental stewardship by encouraging technology and innovations that are mindful of our planet, and political reform with a commitment to 8-year term limits.

