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Superintendent Pauline Harvey
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Dear Superintendent Harvey,

I would like to express my interest in filling the vacancy of School Board Seat F. I've long hoped to help facilitate the education of our region from a board level. My introduction into education started with the Inupiaq Immersion program the North Slope Borough School District once offered, where I learned to foster an Inupiaq mindset both in arithmetic as well as conduct.

After graduating from Barrow High School, I left to attend the University of Puget Sound to get a Bachelor of Arts in Business. Once I've obtained my degree, I started working with the North Slope Borough School District's IT department. After 2 years in IT, I took on the job as the payroll administrator for the North Slope Borough School District's Business office. Throughout this time I worked directly with the contracted staff especially teachers and principals. In this position, I learned a great deal about the employee handbook, the Board Policies, and state and federal laws pertaining to the field of work. This was shorter-lived as computers have long since been my interest. I then moved from the business office to my current employer Iġisaġvik College.

At Iġisaġvik College, I worked as a System Support Analyst briefly before shadowing the former Director of IT. Currently, I am the IT manager for Iġisaġvik College overseeing all aspects of their computer systems. In this position, I've had to focus on how to improve the delivery of information to students, staff, faculty, and the community. With the dawn of the pandemic, I learned firsthand leadership through the chaos. Given, the limited time and options we were able to create a solution that had positively impacted students unable to get access to computers and the internet. I believe the experience I had through these years working for education from the administration side will be a great benefit to the Board.

Thank you,



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