

KARUK TRIBE

LETTER OF INTENT FOR CANDIDACY

Name of Candidate: Crispen McAllister

Tribal Roll #: 276

Candidate for: Karuk Tribal Chairman

CANDIDATE STATEMENT

Ayukii, My name is Crispen McAllister and I'm running for the Karuk Tribal Chairman position. My family is the Charley-Davis family. I've been retired from the Armed Forces since 2006. I own and operate a small business located in Somes Bar, CA. I'm also an Educator of the Karuk Warriors Academy, private school located at the Village of Ipunvarum. After moving home to Karuk Country in 2008, I actively participated in Karuk Tribe Administration projects and was elected to Tribal Council in 2010. In 2012 the Obama Administration awarded me with first Annual Champion of Change Award. Through my work with the Annual Salmon Run, I personally connected the Karuk, Yurok and Hoopa runners to the Klamath Falls Tribe, taking the Salmon Run to the Headquarters. I've lived in KTHA low-income housing, I've been on TANF, I've requested assistance from the Karuk Tribe on several occasions, I've seen and experienced the loss and difficulties many of our people face. The Karuk Tribe has had many successes but there is plenty more to be done. With my experience I believe I will bring a new perspective to the Tribal Chairman position.

Signature: 

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