KARUK TRIBE

LETTER OF INTENT FOR CANDIDACY

Name of Candidate: Eli Hensher-Aubrey

Tribal Roll #:

3630

Candidate for:

Orleans District Member At Large

Ayukii,

My name is Eli James Hensher-Aubrey and I am running for the Orleans District Member at Large. I am enrolled Karuk and a descendant of the Konomihu, and Yurok People. I am the son of Holly Hensher and Eli Grover Aubrey. On my mother's side, I come from the village of Ko-tse-tsah at Methodist Creek in Forks of Salmon. On my father's side, I am from Aubrey Creek near Happy Camp. I was raised in the Karuk ancestral territory of the Forks of Salmon and Orleans. I attended California State University Chico where I obtained a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice.

I am asking for the support of our tribal members in electing me to serve on our Tribal Council. I believe I can bring new ideas and help strengthen traditional/cultural values in our program management. The Orleans District is rich in cultural resources and traditional spaces and if elected to council, I would put effort into upholding proper land stewardship. Governing with the help of my professional and cultural experience, I would emphasize the importance of physical and mental health of our people as well as our spiritual and cultural wellness. I support putting more effort and resources into elder assistance as well as youth programs. I want to support grant funded programs while as well as expanding economic development opportunities.

I have experience working in the judicial system, tribal TANF, the education system, Health and Human Services, Maintenance, and more. I believe my work as a cultural practitioner for the Karuk People and my knowledge obtained from my numerous teachers and mentors would be an asset to the tribal people.

I am humbly asking for your support and look forward to hearing your concerns and ideas. Feel free to reach out to me by emailing me at mackeagle13@gmail.com or by calling me at (707) 601-6823.

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Eli Hensher-Aubrey