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Tuba City Unified School District School Board Elections

### *Letter of Intent*

As a member of the school board in this term I will address several issues in the school district. Having served several terms I have become aware of the need to *Strategically* address both short-term and long-term goals in order for the school district to function effectively and efficiently.

When elected, a primary short-term goal will be to focused on staffing all seven schools with highly qualified, experienced and certified teachers and support staff. Presently, the school district struggles with filling position due to teacher shortage within our State. Having highly qualified teachers in the classroom will serve the student well, which would help increase our graduation rate. The school district must address the need to increase the graduation rate. As a member of the board I will address this issue and support the school with programs that will assist the district in achieving its goals.

My focus for long-term goals will be to find the means to build new school, which will promote a safety and healthy learning environment for the children within the district. Many generations have been educated in the current buildings, but the buildings are be becoming antiquated and some are considered near dilapidation-a safety hazard. I understand the funding allocations to support new building construction are challenging, but I can ensure confidence in fiduciary/fiscal responsibilities and where there are opportunities to set aside funding I can assure it would be invested in new buildings bringing high Return on Investments (ROI) for the future.

Tuba City Unified School District has been impacted by funding; I understand the requirements that are to be made to improve and I've "weathered the storm" when there was no funding and where the impact to the children was detrimental. As a member of the board I will continue to advocate and lobby State and Federal funds to construct a new school, which can attract local talent and increase student enrollment numbers. I will also work on bringing in new programs that will assist our community and the school in enrolling their children in Tuba City Unified School district.

It's time to make an impact and serve our children with high standards of academics, I know my knowledge, skills, abilities and experience will continue to add value to our district and community. Our school motto is, establishing "A Culture of Excellence!" Serving the community of Tuba City as a school board member is a duty I take seriously. It has its great rewards, the challenges must be addressed and to find solutions and continue on the path of success for our children!