## Karuk Tribe

## LETTER OF INTENT FOR CANDIDACY

Name of Candidate: Kristen King

Tribal Roll #: 2116

Candidate for: Member at Large - Orleans District

## CANDIDATE STATEMENT

I am Kristen King from the Beck and McLaughlin families of Panamnik(Orleans). I am currently serving my second term on tribal Council for the Orleans District(Yootva) and seeking another term in the 2025 election.

- I serve on the California Rural Indian Health Board as one of two Karuk Tribal Representatives. Keeping our Tribe up-to-date with current funding possibilities, legislation initiatives and improving our services in all medical and dental areas while also promoting wellness.
- I serve on the Indian Child Welfare Committee. Keeping our tribal children in tribal homes is a very important matter and supporting families to do so.
- Land acquisition and building workforce housing, offices, clinics, child care facility and a wellness center is currently being worked on.
- Make language and traditional practices a priority.
- Protect the land from wild fire through the promotion of cultural burning and keep our water healthy for us and the fish.
- Promoting elder care and student services.
- We will have to stay strong and vigilant in protecting and preserving our tribal sovereignty in the next few years.

I have thirty years of experience working for our tribe and serving all the communities in various roles where I worked directly with community members. I have a personal interest in all of the above as a tribal member, Mother, Grandmother, Auntie, Sister and your Council Representative to always do my best and serve with good intentions and with your vote we can make it a reality.

Signature: Kristen King Date: 6-24-25