2023 Official Candidate Statement City & Borough of Juneau, Alaska Michele Stuart-Morgan

Candidate: Assembly Areawide





Name:	Michele Stuart-Morgan
Office Sought:	Assembly Areawide
Email Address:	stucatamus@yahoo.com
Age at the date of Election:	61
Occupation:	Semi Retired, Medical Assistant
Spouse's Name:	Greg Morgan
Children's Names:	David Elrod, Willy Dodd, Dylan Stuart
Place of Birth:	San Diego, CA
Length of Residency in Juneau:	31 years
Communities lived in & dates of residency: Juneau, Douglas	
Education:	UAS, UAF Health Sciences
Service Organization Memberships:	Founder of Juneau Stop Heroin-Start Talking, 2016 First Lady's Volunteer Award Recipient. Other volunteer activities: Douglas Advisory Board, Youth Activities Board, Health Fair volunteer, Little League and Youth Soccer coach, Juneau Sports Association President and Director, Ocean Guardian leader, Gastineau School Site Council member, Auke Bay Coop Preschool Board
Special Interests:	Fishing, Softball, Volleyball, Family

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Biographical Information [limited to 150 words or less.]:

I'm Michele Stuart-Morgan. I have lived in Juneau for 31 years. I lived in the valley for 20 years and now live in Douglas. I have raised my three boys here. I call it home; my three boys call it home. I am retired from the State and still work in the community. My husband Greg is a Brewer at the Alaskan Brewery. We have 2 goats, 3 rescue dogs, some old chickens and 2 kittens. I have worked at Bartlett Hospital, Department of Labor, the Juneau School District and Ron's Apothecary. My husband and I have our home and a rental. We see people wanting to stay in Juneau but are unable to due to housing shortages.

Position Statement [limited to 250 words or less.]:

Why am I running for Assembly?

I have seen many sides of Juneau and our community fabric. Juneau is on the cusp of many changes; Our housing shortage, businesses struggling to find employees, climate changes, Covid lingering, and we are still dealing with a looming drug pandemic that is killing our loved ones, and the always threatening Capital Move Initiative. The assembly is what helps keep Juneau a community where our families and businesses can prosper. It is also a beautiful place for wildlife and scenery above many others. It is a difficult balance we must keep. I am a person who will listen and put in the hard work. I have seen the great things the people of Juneau can do together.

I will work with others in the assembly, the state, federal government, and all in the community on the many issues facing us; Housing, homelessness, the drug epidemic, treating all people with dignity, climate change. I will work with our police and fire departments which are facing a major staffing shortage.

I learned from a mentor that "we may not be in the same shoes, but we have walked many of the same paths." I have walked many paths in this community and will always work to make Juneau a great place to live. I am Michele Stuart-Morgan, and I would appreciate your vote to represent you on the Juneau Assembly.

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