

KARUK TRIBE

LETTER OF INTENT FOR CANDIDACY



Wilverna Reece

Name of Candidate: Wilverna Reece

Tribal Roll #: 469

Candidate for: Happy Camp District Member at Large

CANDIDATE STATEMENT

Ayukii, My name is Wilverna Reece. My family comes from the Salmon River at Forks of the Salmon. I am a Karuk Tribal Member, Traditional Karuk Basket Weaver and cultural practitioner. Teaching weekly classes in Orleans and Happy Camp, as well as numerous other areas in order to protect our culture and ensure that it is passed on to future generations.

I would be honored to represent the Karuk People and to serve our membership as the Happy Camp District Member at Large once again. Previously, I was a member of the Karuk Tribal Council in the early 2000's and served on the Board of Commissioners for the Karuk Tribe Housing Authority. I currently serve on a number of diverse boards and committees making sure that the needs of our people are being met. I am currently a board member of Northern California Indian Development Council (NCIDC) for Siskiyou representing Karuk Tribal Members. I serve on the ICWA Committee of the Karuk Tribe upholding the best interest of our children. I also serve on the People's Center Advisory Committee for the Karuk Tribe People's Center Museum in Happy Camp to advise on policies, procedures and cultural practices as well as NAGPRA so that we can one day bring our baskets and cultural items home where they belong and use them to teach our youth.

I would be honored to serve our membership once again as Member at Large for all of our Karuk People, hearing your concerns and representing you. Yootva!

Signature: Wilverna Reece Date: 8-21-2018