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Candidate Information

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Q2

If you make it past the primaries, do you intend to attend the 2021 Public Officials and Candidates Night Reception from 5:00pm to 8:00pm on Wednesday, September 22, 2021?

Yes, I intend to attend the event and have blocked out the time on my calendar

Q3

Why are you running for elected office?

One of the primary reasons that I decided to run for the Seattle Port Commission is the lack of regional representation on the Commission. The Port's operations significantly impact cities closest to SeaTac Airport, and currently, none of the Port Commissioners live in South King County. I have over 15 years of experience working in King County which includes local nonprofits, businesses, King County government, and Congress. I want to bring my expertise in equitable economic development and job creation to the Port of Seattle. My plan is to help the Port of Seattle develop programs that are intentional about maintaining talent and strategically creating the tools to build a continuous pipeline of diverse young workers. My priority is to provide everyone in our communities with sustainable living wage jobs and strong collective bargaining rights. Supporting workers through direct partnerships and investments in job creation will spearhead a just economic recovery.

Q4

What do you consider to be our community's top challenges?

My vision for the Port of Seattle Commission outlines six priorities that I consider to be our community's top challenges: economic justice, a safe and welcoming Port, climate change and environmental justice, labor and jobs, building an inclusive workforce and expanding diversity in contracting, and prioritizing workers and constituent services. Though all of these priorities are at the forefront of my efforts, I intend to lead with an initial focus on building an inclusive workforce and expanding diversity in contracting, climate change and environmental justice, and labor and jobs. For us to participate in a highly competitive global marketplace at our highest capabilities, we must be represented by the full breadth of our community. As Port Commissioner, I will take actionable steps to improve diversity, environmental health, and workers rights efforts at every level in partnership with Port agencies, businesses, and community.

Q5

How will you work with the business community to find solutions?

Partnerships and community engagement will be at the forefront of my work as Port Commissioner. The Port of Seattle and the business community are deeply connected by the nature of the Port's role in trade. I believe that bringing in the voices of those impacted by specific policies and working together to find solutions is integral to the effective functioning of government. I am committed to being out in the community and engaging with businesses to maintain an open line of communication. Tackling intersectional issues before they arise and ensuring that the Port's resources also aid in equitable economic growth is key to promoting economic justice and an equitable recovery from COVID-19. I have a long track record of working with the business community to find solutions and utilize government to promote equity. I am prepared to continue this work to expand and build upon partnerships as Port Commissioner.

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Where can your constituents find more information about you and your campaign?

My constituents can learn more about me and our campaign at our website www.hamdiforport.com or by following me on social media: Facebook - www.facebook.com/hamdiforport; Instagram - [@hamdiforport](https://www.instagram.com/hamdiforport) - www.instagram.com/hamdiforport; Twitter - [@hamdiforport](https://www.twitter.com/hamdiforport) - www.twitter.com/hamdiforport
