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Endorsement of Sherae Lascelles for Legislative District 43, Position 2.

**Seattle, Washington.** - *September 12, 2020.* Green Party of Seattle endorses Sherae Lascelles for State Representative Position #2 of Washington's 43rd LD. Votes were taken by email due to physical distance constraints and the last vote was counted at 11:30 pm on 9/11/2020.

Citizens of the 43rd Legislative District are the most diverse in Washington State along several lines of intersectionality. The geographic area covers parts of Seattle's Downtown, First Hill, Capitol Hill, South Lake Union, Washington Park, Madison Park, Eastlake, Montlake, Portage Bay, Wallingford, Fremont, the University District (including the UW campus), Green Lake, and parts of Phinney Ridge and Ravenna.

Green Party of Seattle members feel that Lascelles' level of community engagement makes them the ideal candidate to represent the 43rd; the views that were expressed in their <u>candidate</u> <u>questionnaire</u> are consistent with the GPSEA core values of NonViolence, Grassroots Empowerment, Social Justice, and Environmental Wisdom.

The Green Party of the United States is an Eco-Socialist party. <u>Greens as a Geo-political</u> force believe that no human on Earth is illegal, and a Sustainable Future can not co-exist with abusive corporate entities that enslave and commodify both human beings and nature.

Sherae Lascelles is running on a platform of Harm Reduction, Mutual Aid, and Civic Engagement. GPSEA finds alignment here with the basic foundational premise of Green politics: A Sustainable Future for All.

Greens in Seattle are politically active within other issue-driven movements where there has been much cross pollination of ideas, such as the 'Green New Deal' but this has not translated to running political campaigns. As mainstream political consciousness realizes that the Duopoly does not serve them, they begin to see through the political tactic of 'Divide and Conquer' used to consolidate political and economic power at the top. 'Third Party' independents are banding together to find alignment on issues that matter to everyday people.

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