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Mayor of Flagstaff, Arizona
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WHAT WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO ACCOMPLISH AS AN ELECTED LEADER?

I ran for mayor because I believe the residents of Flagstaff deserve much better communication from City Hall and full transparency in government decisions. I want to preserve the character of Flagstaff for future generations by taking a stronger stand on big student housing projects and protecting Flagstaff's environment.

WHAT ARE THE BIGGEST CHALLENGES AHEAD FOR YOU AND YOUR COMMUNITY DURING YOUR TERM?

At this time, I believe restoring trust in our government will be one of our biggest issues. Systematic racism is prevalent around our country, and we need to find better ways to address this problem as well as several others.

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE SOMEONE CONSIDERING RUNNING FOR OFFICE FOR THE FIRST TIME?

Always remember the reason you ran in the first place.

IS THERE A CONSERVATION-RELATED RULE, POLICY OR IDEA YOU'D LIKE TO SEE IMPLEMENTED AT THE LOCAL, STATE OR NATIONAL LEVEL?

The Northern Arizona landscape and climate draws so many to Flagstaff. Many make sacrifices to live here because of the attractive lifestyle. I will work to ensure that we have adequate resources for our amazing urban trail system and continue to reduce the risk of catastrophic wildfire in the forests surrounding Flagstaff. Healthy forests are intrinsically good, and they also protect lives and property and prevent contamination of our water supply.