

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR**

**NORTH TAHOE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, DIVISION 4**

**Name: LUKE RAGAN**

**Occupation: Local Business Owner**

**Education and Qualifications:**

My family is 5<sup>th</sup> generation Tahoe City. I married a Tahoe City local as well. We are currently raising our three kids that attend North Tahoe School and North Tahoe High School. I'm an assistant varsity football coach. I serve on the North Tahoe Little League Board as safety officer and coach. I am a part of the Tahoe City Recreation Association which makes funds available to the youth of our community for sports activities. I am thrilled to have represented our community for the last six years on the NTFPD board. I have received an untold amount of knowledge to know that safety for the community and the safety of our current fire department staff is always first priority.

With your vote I can assure you I will hold true to my beliefs. I encourage you to attend an upcoming board meeting to stay informed of what we're working on for today and the future.

Thanks, and it's an honor to serve our community and I ask for your vote on November 8<sup>th</sup>

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**Name: RON PARSON**

**Age: 62**

**Occupation: Business Owner**

**Education and Qualifications:**

Owner, Granlibakken Tahoe, Retired US Naval Officer

I'm running for North Tahoe Fire Protection District Area 4 because wildfire and smoke are urgent threats to our community, environment, economy and our Lake.

Since 2002, I've led our community in forest health management and fuels reduction. I am responsible for the fire safety of 74+ forested acres in the district. I built fire breaks that firefighters credit for helping stop the 2007 Washoe Fire. I take this responsibility seriously for my neighbors' property and my own.

I trained daily during my 24+ year Navy career to prevent and fight shipboard fires. This training paid off on multiple occasions when fire threatened us at sea.

Lake Tahoe has been home my entire life. I've lived in this district for 20 years, providing hundreds of local jobs.

My experience taught me that none of this is easy. Our Fire District must partner with regional governments and property owners to find and implement solutions that are bigger than the fires that threaten us. This is my goal as a NTFPD director.

As a community, we have been lucky so far, but luck is not a strategy.

I ask for your vote. Visit [TahoeRon.com](http://TahoeRon.com) ·