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EverGreen Party Candidate Enters Senate Race

EDMONTON – The EverGreen Party of Alberta has enthusiastically endorsed Elizabeth Johannson in the coming Senator-in-Waiting elections. With Ms. Johannson’s entry into the race, Albertans will now have a genuinely progressive option on the ballot. She is also the first female candidate to enter the race.

“Until now, the only parties fielding Senate candidates were the PCs and Wildrose. We EverGreens feel it is important that Albertans have some real choice on the Senate ballot,” said Nick Burman, President of the EverGreen Party of Alberta. “Elizabeth is an outstanding candidate and we are excited about her presenting our vision for Alberta and for Canada.”

Ms. Johannson agreed that Green parties have an essential role to play in elections by raising issues and concerns that otherwise might pass unnoticed.

“I think many Albertans of different political stripes want to have a chance to show their support for the many different ideas Greens across Canada bring to our national conversation,” said Ms. Johannson. “That’s why I’m running as an EverGreen candidate. It’s about choice.”

The multi-vote ballot Alberta uses for its Senate race allows voters to support *up to three candidates* on the ballot. The EverGreens hope to build on their existing voter base by asking Albertans to make one of their three votes an EverGreen vote to send a message to the political establishment not to take Albertans for granted.

“We hope to draw on the large number of Albertans who know that a strong economy and a healthy environment must go hand in hand. Green values aren’t left or right, they’re out in front,” said Ms. Johannson.

The national Green Party has also indicated it is supportive of the EverGreens fielding a candidate in the Senate race and is excited at the opportunity to ‘Green the Senate’. “A vote for Elizabeth Johannson will ensure that Greens are represented in both the House and the Senate, and will grow our Green caucus!” said Elizabeth May M.P., Leader - Green Party of Canada.

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