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Ellis Running for Montana House of Representatives

HELENA, MT - Today long-time Helena resident Janet Ellis formerly announced her candidacy to represent House District 81 in the Montana Legislature. She brings with her almost 12 years of experience as a legislator, having served 8 years in the Montana Senate and 4 years previously serving House District 81.

"I'm running for the Montana House of Representatives because today—more than ever—experience matters," said Ellis. "Seasoned legislators build a knowledge base on critical issues. They understand the process and have learned how to be effective. They've also built the relationships they need to gain votes for bills they support and votes against bills they oppose."

Ellis is looking forward to serving her neighbors. "I've lived in Helena for over 35 years and love our community and state," said Ellis. "My career has been built on being fair, honest, and able to work with people who don't always share my views on every issue."

Since 2015, Ellis has primarily worked as a legislator on the state's budget, voting rights, citizen right-to-know policies, pensions, and energy issues. Prior to becoming a legislator, Ellis developed a strong background in conservation, having worked for Montana Audubon for almost 30 years.

"I'm excited that Janet is running for the Montana House," said long-time legislator Hal Harper. "I like Janet because of her knowledge, hard work ethic, and her ability to work quietly and effectively for the things we care about. She'll be an important addition to the House." Harper continued, "Janet cares deeply about our state and isn't afraid to stand up for courageous positions when it's important. We need her voice."

Janet and her husband Jim have lived in Helena for over 35 years. Their son graduated from Helena High School in 2013 and now works in finance.

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