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George Capestany for West Seattle. Community leader & coach, launches campaign for Seattle City Council in District 1.

SEATTLE- George Capestany, a long time West Seattle resident, active community volunteer, and US Navy Veteran launched his campaign for Seattle City Council District 1 today – Veteran's Day 2014. Capestany is seeking to represent the newly established District 1, which includes the areas of West Seattle, Delridge, South Park and all the neighborhoods in between.

Capestany has pledged to be a strong voice for the citizens of West Seattle. George is focusing his campaign on representing the needs of the district 1 communities on the council, which include public safety, transportation, traffic congestion, parking, and development that affect the residents of West Seattle. Capestany has vowed to make sure development and planning projects are in the best interest of residents and respect the unique landscape of West Seattle.

"For a long time, West Seattle residents have been left out of virtually everything that goes on at City Hall. Now, we have a chance to elect one of us, a true West Seattle resident who knows our area." Capestany said. "I will work to ensure the unique needs of West Seattle are heard and addressed."

Capestany has pulled together a team of key business leaders and residents to assess what is important to the community. After considerable deliberation, Capestany determined he has the ability to unite all the unique neighborhoods in district 1.

Campaign Treasurer and long-time West Seattle resident, Ronald Sullivan stated, "West Seattle residents have gone too long without real representation in City politics, and as a result transportation issues are affecting the quality of life for us on the West Side. West Seattle neighbors need to have their voices heard to ensure there are transportation alternatives, especially during the ongoing tunnel construction. George is a proven leader who can truly represent the needs of this area on the Seattle City Council".

Born in Tacoma, and a lifelong Washingtonian, George has lived in West Seattle for over a decade. He and his wife Betty, together, have four teenage boys, goats, a dog and a parrot. Capestany brings a wide variety of skill sets to this position, including; professional artist, teacher, a small business owner, a US Navy Veteran, and as a coach for Pony & Little League Baseball, West Seattle Soccer, and West Seattle Football.

Capestany is the son of Hispanic immigrants forced to leave their country due to communist rule. George is of Cuban descent and is fluent in Spanish. He has a deep passion for uniting people and cultures for the betterment of the community and would be the first Hispanic to serve on the Seattle City Council.

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