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## JEFFREY M. COHEN LAUNCHES CAMPAIGN FOR STATE LEGISLATIVE SEAT

BELLTOWN, SEATTLE - Longtime Seattleite and Belltown resident Jeffrey M. Cohen launches campaign for State Representative in the 36<sup>th</sup> Legislative District. He is a first-time candidate for public office.

Having worked in the private sector his entire career—and the last 13 years in the travel and tourism sector—Jeffrey has experienced firsthand the devastating impact that COVID-19 has had on Seattle's businesses and economy. He is passionate about helping Seattle's tourism industry and small businesses recover from the effects of the pandemic, and help bring our vibrant city back to life.

As a Seattle resident for over 22 years, he has also witnessed the rising prohibitive costs of housing, and will work tirelessly to create affordable housing solutions that benefit everyone. He will also be an advocate for the most vulnerable citizens of our community including seniors, our communities of color, and the homeless.

He believes that every single person, regardless of their income level or employment status should have a right to adequate health care and health coverage. Period.

"What is paramount to me is reducing the burden on Washingtonians from high health care premiums and large out of pocket expenses incurred as a result of office visits and hospital stays," said Jeffrey.

He will also be a strong advocate in Olympia for LGBTQ+ protections, rights, and freedoms by supporting nondiscrimination protections for the LGBTQ+ community in every single facet of life. "*These are the issues that I'm passionate about and the reasons why I'm running for office,*" said Jeffrey.

He has previously served as a Precinct Committee Officer, and earned his Masters in Public Administration in 2013.

To learn more about Jeffrey, visit: www.votejeffreymcohen.com