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Dear Carnation residents,

As you may know, the 12th Legislative District boundaries recently changed as a result of the 2022 statewide redistricting process. The new district now reaches over the Cascade Mountains into a portion of Snohomish King counties. The 12th District boundaries now include the Highway 2 communities from Leavenworth to Monroe and portions of the Snoqualmie Valley in King County, primarily North Bend and Carnation.

Prior to the 2023 Legislative Session, I was grateful to have a few meaningful opportunities to connect with your city officials, including in remote meetings and in person. These meetings included briefings about Carnation's legislative priorities. In mid-November of last year, as part of my annual districtwide Listening Tour, I had an extended discussion with your council in its chambers. Your city was also very kind to host one of my legislative session "preview" meetings last December at your city hall with members of your community in attendance.

I have learned more about your community with each visit, and I look forward to many more. Most recently, your city administrators and elected officials visited me in Olympia to discuss your 2023 Legislative Priorities. These include both safety and infrastructure topics, including prioritizing funding of behavioral and mental health services, clarifying recent police reform efforts, and supporting your future community space/emergency operations center/municipal facility. The priorities also include making capacity improvements along the congested State Route 202, 203, and 522 corridors along with funding the state's Public Works Trust Fund.

While transportation improvements in and around Carnation are very important, other infrastructure improvements, such as trails, sidewalks, and broadband access were also discussed. Access to reliable transit services is something that has been emphasized as well. Your city officials also want me to help ensure that the Snoqualmie Valley receives an equitable share of government resources in all areas to give your community equal access to economic development and job creation opportunities. I agree and support all these priorities.

Your city council and city administrators have been so kind and welcoming to me. This alone says a lot about your community. They are excellent advocates for Carnation, and I will continue to listen to them closely when developing my legislative priorities. As your new State Senator, please know that your feedback is also especially important to me. If you have thoughts or feedback to share with me, please contact me anytime at senatorbradhawkins.org. My office and staff exist to serve you, and we thank you for the opportunity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brad".

Brad Hawkins