



## *Cathy Gruber for Recording Secretary*

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Member, Sully District  
Fairfax County Democratic Committee

A resident of Fairfax County (Sully District) for 20 years, I'm a mother of triplets who are now sophomores in college. Like you, I'm gravely concerned about the future of this country under Trump. I joined FCDC after the November 2016 election, and I'm part of the new energy and resistance, which includes many women like myself. I'm asking for your vote on January 9 because I have relevant experience for this position and I am dedicated to serving Fairfax Democrats.

### **Experience**

- Secretary for two organizations for 4+ years: a nonprofit organization serving persons with disabilities and my Jewish congregation.
- Managing Editor (since 2013) at the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine for the Division on Engineering and Physical Sciences and editor (2004-2013) for the Space Studies Board.

### **If elected as your Recording Secretary, I will**

- Be an impartial witness at FCDC Steering and General Membership meetings to ensure that the minutes and votes are properly documented. (I'm not part of any team or group.)
- Promote transparency and accountability by providing Steering and General Membership minutes to members, while keeping in mind security concerns (using password-protected documents). The minutes are not currently posted on the FCDC website, and copies are only distributed on the day of the following meeting.
- Support the creation of a sexual harassment code and policies for FCDC.
- Be a voice for a Fairfax County district (Sully) that will not otherwise be represented in FCDC officer positions in 2018-2019. Of those currently campaigning for officer positions, 4 out of 15 are from Braddock, 3 each from Providence and Dranesville, and 2 each from Mount Vernon and Lee. There are no candidates from the Sully, Hunter Mill, or Mason districts.
- Be a constant voice in FCDC leadership when planning meetings and events, to ensure that holidays, observances, and beliefs of religious minorities are taken into consideration.

### **Progressive / Activist**

- A progressive Democrat before "progressive" became trendy—supporting equality and equity for all peoples, criminal justice reform, Medicare for all, campaign finance reform, and student debt reform.
- Volunteered in 2015 with my daughters on the Bernie Sanders campaign and served as a delegate in 2016 at both the 10th Congressional District convention and the State convention in Richmond for the Presidential election.
- Attended several rallies, such as the 2017 Women's March and the March for Science, and supported the LGBTQ community with FCPS Pride at FCPS School Board meetings and the Capital Pride Festival 2017.

### **Democratic Campaign Work**

- Canvassed, phonebanked, attended events for:
  - 2016 10th congressional race (LuAnn Bennett)
  - 2016 Presidential Primary (Bernie Sanders) and General Election (Hillary Clinton)
  - 2017 Fairfax School Board Special Election (Karen Keys-Gamarra)
  - 2017 Virginia House of Delegates: 67th (Karrie Delaney) and 40th (Donte Tanner) districts
- Ran for a seat on the 10th CD Democratic Committee in 2017—and was a 1st runner up.
- Sully Executive Committee member as Events Vice Chair.
- Voter outreach and registration, GOTV, and data entry in Sully.
- Outside poll volunteer in Sully for the 2017 Special Election and General Election and for absentee voting at the Fairfax County Government Center for the 2017 General Election.

### **Community Service**

- Volunteer Tutor, Literacy Council of Northern Virginia (3 years)
- Girl Scout Leader (3 years)
- Member, Board of Directors (4 years) and Volunteer Coordinator (2.5 years) for nonprofit serving persons with disabilities
- Member, Adat Shalom Synagogue, including work as Board Member, Program Council Member, Retreat Co-Chair (3 years)
- Volunteer, League of Women Voters (1 year)

As you can see, I have the experience and dedication to be FCDC's Recording Secretary for the next two years. I would appreciate your vote on January 9 at W.T. Woodson HS at 7:00 p.m. For more information and pictures showing my Democratic involvements, go to [cathygruber3.wordpress.com/](http://cathygruber3.wordpress.com/) and 👍 Like my page at [www.facebook.com/CathyGruberforSecretary/](http://www.facebook.com/CathyGruberforSecretary/).