

## U. S. REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT #9



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I grew up in the Ninth District. My father was a ramp serviceman at SeaTac, my mother a homemaker. They taught me the values that have guided me as a prosecutor, state senator, and congressman – integrity, hard work, personal responsibility, and independence. I live in Tacoma with my wife, Sara, and our two children—six-year-old Kendall and three-year-old Jack.

It's my job to listen to you and to make common sense decisions. You've told me that Congress needs a less partisan, independent voice, and someone who will fight for good jobs, affordable health care, quality public education, a clean environment, and strong national security.

I'm working to ensure that our nation is prepared to compete and win in the global marketplace, and to give workers the support they need to get good jobs. I also support efforts to help workers and employers gain access to quality, affordable healthcare. Our current healthcare system is too expensive and inaccessible to too many people.

We need a public education system that is accountable and sets high standards, but also one that finally receives the support it needs to succeed. We also need to invest in alternative and renewable sources of energy to reduce our dependence on foreign oil, create new jobs, and maintain the high quality of life we demand in the Pacific Northwest.

We face new threats at home and abroad from terrorism, and I will continue to use my positions on the House International Relations and Armed Services Committees to form a foreign policy that engages our allies while ensuring our troops have the resources they need to keep America safe. I'm also proud to support so many military personnel, veterans, and their families. I will continue to be a strong advocate for them.