

Dear Santa

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Dear Santa,
Can I have a babycat dll pleas.
Ciella

Dear Santa,
I wish Ms. Westbrook can have a good Crismis. O also can my litole bother have a nerfboal and can I have a yoyo ples, and Emberly hase a good time. Mommy and daddy have fun in the snow.
From Luna

Dear Santa,
My bruthr wants a Minkraft game. I wont a Ryan pj's. I want HoGwARTS LeoG's.
Best Wishes,
Ryleigh

MRS. GILKEY'S - 2ND GRADE

Dear Santa,
I'm hoping for squishmallow and dolls. I also want some video games for my brother. And stuffies for my sister.

Gemma

Dear Santa,
My family will like an amazon gift card. Can I please get a phone? I will get a carrot for Roudolph.
Thank you.
Madison

Dear Santa
I want to get a lego set. And will give my brother a lego toy.
David

Dear Santa,
My family would like a toy car. I would like Minecraft playstation 3. Plees
Thaddeus

Dear santa,
My parents wood like a giraffe, 2 carpets, and a mug. I wood like a phone, a poster, and another poster.

Sienna

Dear Santa,
I want my family to have an iphone14 and I want an iphone14.

Rynn

Dear Santa,
My family deserves love. My family deserves prezens. I really want a bunny. I want a love cord. That is all.

Ella

Dearn Santas
I want to have a twin sister please. And I want to give my mom a new phone. And I want to get my sister a play pen.

Sunshine

Dear Santa,
My family wants a playstation. Rainey wants makeup. Rainey wants a lamp.

Rainey

Dear Santa,
My family they wood like camera. I would love American girl dolls.

Genesis

Dear santa,
A iphone 13 for i can play games and have fun and test.

Kaden

Dear Santa,
My family deserves a break from working. Can I please have a phone?

Zoey

Oregon GOP state Sen. with stormy political career resigns

Andrew Selsky
Associated Press

SALEM, Ore. (AP) — A Republican state senator who once led Oregon's GOP party, and who railed against pandemic safety measures, Democratic senators and even members of his own party, has abruptly resigned as a lawmaker.

And so ends, at least for now, the stormy political career of Sen. Dallas Heard, a lawmaker from rural southwest Oregon who said Thursday that his resignation is effective on Jan. 1, in the middle of his four-year term.

Heard has publicly called fellow lawmakers "fools" and was once escorted from the Oregon state Senate floor for refusing to wear a mask. He said that he would have worn a mask if asked, but that he objected to being ordered to wear one.

Republicans' disappointing results in the November election may have factored into Heard's decision, though he said that he is leaving because he wants to dedicate his time to his children.

During a demonstration by supporters of former President Donald Trump outside the Oregon State Capitol on Jan. 6, 2021, Heard pointed at the building and shouted through a megaphone: "Don't be violent, take action, trust in God and take down these fools in 2022."

But in November, Democratic candidate and former House Speaker Tina Kotek beat Republican candidate Christine Drazan by 3.5 percentage points. Democrats also retained control of both the Oregon House and Senate.

In his note on Thursday, Heard expressed disappointment at the low turnout of conservative voters.

"We have been losing this state and nation because collectively we are doing almost nothing to fight the good fight," Heard wrote. "We must do better than this if we hope to stand a chance."

In March, Heard quit as chair of the Oregon Republican Party and said that "communist psychological warfare tactics" were being used within his own party.

Last year, Heard showed up at a high school in his district intending to give a speech about fundamental individual rights. He was approached by a school resource officer and told to leave, News-Review, a local newspaper, reported.

Without sharing specific examples, Heard said on Thursday that "the country as a whole has seen an ever-growing movement of evil rising that is determined to take our children's hearts and minds away from their parents."

County commissioners in Heard's district in southwest Oregon will select a

replacement to complete his term, which ends in January 2025.

Asked for comment on the resignation, Senate Republican leader Tim Knopp's spokesperson forwarded a statement in which Knopp thanked Heard for his service.

Oregon state Rep. David Brock Smith, a Republican from southwest Oregon, said Friday that he wants to succeed Heard. Heard endorsed Smith in a joint statement.



State Sen. Dallas Heard sits in the gallery of the Senate chamber during a legislative special session on Monday, Sept. 20, 2021. (Amanda Loman/Oregon Capital Chronicle)

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Lawsuits over charges of illegal logging fueled the state's move to change how the forest is managed. Sallinger said there's still a lot of work to be done to meet a statutory deadline of July 2023 to finish transforming the Elliott into a research forest that likely won't be official until January 2024.

Right now, Oregon State University is developing a forest management

plan that will need approvals, federal agencies still need to finalize a Habitat Conservation Plan for protecting threatened and endangered species in the forest, and the state will need to approve a financial plan. The board of directors for Oregon State University will also have to grant final approval for the research forest.

Sallinger said there will still be some logging in the forest in the future, but the goal of the logging operations will be to collect research data. There will also be a 34,000-acre preserve that will be the largest stretch

of protected forest in the coast range, as well as stronger stream protections. Research in the forest will likely focus on ecologically responsible forestry, managing forests for climate change and improving forest management for threatened and endangered species.

"I think the Elliott will be a hell of a lot better from an ecological perspective than anything we've seen before," he said. "The coast range has just been hammered over the years, so preserving what's left and improving it is really important."

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