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Dear Neighbor,

Hopefully, you've heard that I'm running for mayor. The election is some time away, but I wanted to share my sense of the issues in Jersey City.

My grandfather was a Jersey City Police Officer, my mom served as a nurse at the old Jersey City Medical Center, and my dad left his Lafayette neighborhood to serve in the U.S. Marine Corps.

I work in Jersey City with those returning from addiction treatment, veterans returning from combat, and people returning from prison. Our mission is Second Chances - helping over 20,000 people rebuild their lives through medical support, legal services, housing referrals, industry job training, and employment.

Here in Jersey City, great strides have been made to redevelop abandoned and deteriorated blocks, improve parks and open space, and introduce cultural amenities.

As Mayor, I will build upon our successes, while responding to the challenges of affordability, quality of life, and improving the academic strength of our schools.

My Number One priority as mayor will be to control property taxes, stabilize rent increases, and keep Jersey City affordable.

Second, we need balanced development throughout the city, guaranteeing that we do not overdevelop in certain sections, while not investing sufficiently in other neighborhoods.

Third, we must require parking in the building permitting process. The absence of a sensible parking requirement will only worsen our traffic woes.

Fourth, we must tackle auto congestion through planning, parking authority, signaling and traffic generation models.

Fifth, we need to provide clean streets with trash bins, new street painting and striping, and license and regulate reckless motor bikes.

Sixth, as a world-class city, we must have world-class schools. We should implement "best educational practices," third grade literacy, and literacy coaches. We must also provide a quality education for children with special needs.

Lastly, the foundation of our efforts must be the safety and security of our homes and neighborhoods. The training and resources for our police department, fire department, and emergency services must model best practices. And, we need to improve our 9-1-1 call and dispatch system, and accelerate police response times.

Thank you for your caring of our city, for engaging on the issues of concern, and for fighting to make Jersey City the best city it can be for our families and neighbors.

Blessings,



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