Manhattan Borough President

Robert Jackson (D)

I'm Councilman Robert Jackson. I'm running for Manhattan Borough President to be an advocate for our children, a fighter for our neighborhoods and an energetic leader for all of Manhattan. I am an example of the power of education and a product of a city built on a foundation of opportunity for all. Growing up we didn't have much. We were nine kids raised on welfare. But I worked hard, didn't give up, got a college degree and the opportunity to succeed. As a Community School Board President, I sued the State to fix a broken school funding formula that cheated our children, walked 150 miles to Albany to build support for the cause and won a court judgement that brought home \$16 billion for NYC public school children. I've been 3 times elected to the City Council where I've taken on the tough fights and gotten results — leading the fight to provide all students a sound public school education and to create 4,000 new Pre-K openings; bringing people together to produce a community agreement to approve the Columbia University expansion and protect affordable housing; and championing small business, workers' rights and community based job training. Many can talk the talk, but you can count on me to walk the walk. I am ready to lead this borough to improve our schools and create new jobs; to provide for our seniors and make sure Manhattan stays affordable; and to protect the safety and security of all of us. I'm proud to be endorsed by Mayor David Dinkins, Congressman Charles Rangel, the United Federation of Teachers and hundreds of leaders across Manhattan. I ask for your support. Together we can do great things.

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