

Building and Construction Trades Council of Nassau and Suffolk Counties

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RE: Endorsement of the Building and Construction Trades Council of Nassau and Suffolk Counties

The Honorable John Kennedy,

As the proud President of the Building and Construction Trades Council, it is my privilege to notify you that the members of this council are providing you with our endorsement as you seek to become the next Executive of Suffolk County.

Earning the endorsement of the council doesn't come easy, but our members continued to praise your genuine experience throughout your tenure as a Suffolk County Legislator and now as the seated Comptroller of the County.

Whether it is setting high standards in developing a level of transparency, or by simply improving the process of making government more efficient, we hope your plans and knowledge will set the course for significant progress in Suffolk County.

The work ethic you possess as well as the advocacy on behalf of hard working middle class families is obvious to all. Your eagerness to lead the county was evident from the moment you approached the council. In every address, enthusiasm and optimism has emanated from your statements referencing the residents and the future of Labor. Listening to you profess that "the best social program is a Union Job" echoes what I have been repeating for years.

This early endorsement recognizes the sentiment of the Long Island working family and it's a message that seeks continuous improvement on issues impacting the environment, employment, infrastructure and quality of life.

In Solidarity,

Matthew Aracich President, NSBCTC