

## **50th City Council District**

**Mendy Mirocznik (D)**

Hello, I'm Mendy Mirocznik and I am running to represent the Mid-Island in the New York City Council. Staten Island is one of the few places left in New York City where you can walk into a store and everyone will know your name. I believe it is critical that we elect someone with the experience and drive to protect that way of life. I've served on the community board and as the President of C.O.J.O. I organized relief drives for the victims of Hurricane Sandy and before that, those who have fallen on hard times during the Recession. I've worked on behalf of my community with our elected officials and I'm proud to call them my friends and supporters. As a father, this election is personal. When I look at my five children I see the potential of the future generations. It is our responsibility to provide them with the education they need to succeed in this changing world. We need schools that prepare students for the workplace that awaits them. This requires attracting the best and brightest to the teaching field and that means we need to start treating teachers with the respect they deserve. It is a crime that we place a bigger emphasis on a child's test score than his or her inner potential. We have to change it, and with your help we will. Also, we must reverse the fine-first culture this Administration has used to make up lost tax revenue. It's unacceptable and it is devastating to the mom-and-pop stores that are a hallmark of Staten Island. We should empower our job creators and work with them to provide the best environment and products for their customers — not punish them with a barrage of fines and violations. This Island deserves to be treated equally. We're Staten Islanders — we work hard and we provide for our families. We're not looking for special entitlements or a hand-out. We just want a fair shot. Our Children, our families deserve a fair shot. That is why I am running. With your help we will win this election. Thank you!

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