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Ellington Democratic Town Committee
Unveils Campaign Platform for a Stronger and More Inclusive Community

ELLINGTON, CT – The Ellington Democratic Town Committee (EDTC) is thrilled to announce its comprehensive campaign platform for the upcoming November 7th election. This platform is a testament to our unwavering commitment to improving the lives of all Ellington residents, focusing on key areas that matter most to our community.

“Our platform will improve our educational system and make Ellington safer and more affordable for all residents and local businesses,” said Wil Duchesneau, Chairperson of the EDTC. “We have an outstanding slate of highly qualified candidates that are passionate about serving their community. We encourage residents to learn more about our candidates, our campaign platform and to get involved in their local government by serving on a board or commission.”

Platform Highlights

1. Health and Safety for Our Residents

Our top priority is ensuring the safety and well-being of every Ellington resident. We pledge to promote a full-time overnight police officer for every day of the week and a full-time school resource officer for every school. By investing in public safety, we are creating a secure environment for our students and families to thrive.

2. Support Small Businesses and Protect Our Farms

We understand the importance of small businesses and our local farms in shaping the character and future of our town. The EDTC believes the town should commit to building a long-term “strategic community plan” through a collaborative effort by the Boards of Selectmen, Finance and Education in order to enhance the quality of life for residents and foster an environment where small businesses
can flourish. We will support programs that provide assistance to local farms through grants and tax abatements to ensure their sustainability in Ellington.

3. **Democrats Know the ABCs of Education**

Education is the cornerstone of our community’s future. We will champion **Accountability** by supporting teacher programs to help our students excel in reading and math. Our approach to the annual **Budget** will be fiscally responsible, ensuring that every dollar invested in education delivers results. **Communication** and **Curriculum** are essential, and we will boost STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) programs and support differential learning to accommodate all students, fostering a well-rounded and inclusive educational system. We value parental input and will create more meaningful ways for both parents and students to shape local educational policies.

4. **Build a Better Ellington for All Residents**

We are committed to supporting our seniors through the Property Tax Relief Program and have already voted for the Daycare Tax Abatement to ease the financial burden on our local families and small business daycares in town. We believe that transparency on all boards is paramount to good government, and we will ensure that Ellington residents have access to clear, open, and responsive leadership. Additionally, we believe the Hall Memorial Library should continue to evolve to reflect the growing community it serves.

“As the November 7th election approaches, we urge all Ellington residents to consider the positive impact that Democratic leadership can have on our town,” said Michael Madru, Vice Chairperson of the EDTC. “Our platform is rooted in a commitment to community, inclusivity and progress. Together, we can build a better Ellington for all residents.”
LIST OF CANDIDATES
November 7th, 2023 Election

First Selectman
Logan Johnson

Board of Selectmen
Jamie Boucher
Michael Madru
Mary Cardin
Cynthia Soto

Board of Education
Liz Nord
Rajee Assudani, Ph.D.
Miriam Underwood
Lenora S. Williams, M.D.
Jennifer Mullin

Board of Finance
Jeremiah Williams
John Nord

Zoning Board of Appeals
Subhra Roy
Sulakshana Thanvanthri

Library Board of Trustees
Peg Busse
John M. Halloran, Jr.

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