

**From the Desk
of Grace Ioannidis,
Candidate, 3rd Legislative District.**



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Dear Neighbor,

As the mother of two children, Dan, 22 and Constantine, 18, I know the challenges working families in our community face in making ends meet, raising a family and building a better future for our children.

For the past ten years, as a community activist, I have volunteered and worked with many of you to improve the quality of life in our neighborhoods. Through the Citizen's Action Coalition, a grassroots civic association, together we fought for the passage of Brookhaven's Neighborhood Preservation Act "Rental Law" that forces absentee landlords to better maintain their rental homes. Most recently, we worked with the New York State Legislature and the Suffolk County Legislature to pass laws to regulate "sober houses," half-way homes for alcohol and substance abusers, that have saturated our communities.

*Following the indictment and resignation of the previous Legislator, I sought the Republican Party's nomination for the 3rd Legislative District. Despite my background, I was denied the party's nomination for one simple reason: **I am not a member of the "Good Ole Boys Network" that has orchestrated backroom deals and dominated Republican politics in Brookhaven for many years.** I firmly believe that these practices not only turn off many good, hard-working citizens from politics, but have also contributed to the corruption scandals that seem to have infected our government.*

As I raised my children, helped them through school and like any mother, tried to steer them in the right direction, I never intended to enter politics. While I will never consider myself a politician, I have always had faith in our democracy and power of ordinary citizens to work together for the common good. It is this commitment to public service, rather than the self-service we have become so accustomed to, that convinced me that I should run as the independent, For Quality of Life, candidate for the 3rd Legislative District.

Because I have lived in our community for many years, I understand the serious issues we face. With your support, we can make the necessary changes to build better neighborhoods and ensure that our children can thrive and overcome the challenges that lie ahead of them. When elected, I will continue to work to reduce government waste, ensure public safety, build economic opportunities in our business district and enhance recreational activities.

*I am deeply humbled and grateful for the overwhelming support my campaign has received. On **November 4th**, look for me on **Line 7G**. With your vote, you have the opportunity to not only send a message but to bring real change to politics as we have come to know it.*

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