

Race To Represent 2018: State Senate District 27 Debate

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Julie Walker: Manhattan Neighborhood Network in partnership with the League of Women Voters of New York State presents Race to Represent, a MNN election initiative. Hello, I'm Julie Walker. New Yorkers will be voting in the general election on Tuesday, November 6th. They will be casting their ballots for offices including Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Comptroller, State Assembly and State Senator. The New York State Senate is the upper house of the New York State Legislature. Its 63 members represent New York State and its more than 19 million citizens. The legislature's primary purpose is to draft and approve changes to the laws of New York. Today we bring you a debate with the candidates running for state senate in District 27, which covers Hell's Kitchen, Chelsea, Greenwich Village, the Upper West Side, Midtown, East Midtown, Columbus Circle, Times Square, Stuyvesant Town, Peter Cooper Village, The East Village, and the Lower East Side.

Julie Walker: The winner of this race will take office in January of 2019. Joining us now is the Democratic candidate and incumbent Brad Hoylman, and the Republican challenger Ashton Theodore Randle. Welcome and thank you both for being here. State Senator Brad Hoylman, let's start with you. What three words would you use to describe yourself that make you the better candidate?

Brad Hoylman: Thank you, Julie, first of all, and MNN and the League of Women Voters for sponsoring this important debate, these conversations across our city and state and country are so important at this time. The three words I would describe myself would be persistent. I'm thinking I'm someone who when they see an issue they go for it, and they continue to make progress even though I've been blocked time and time again by a Republican State Senate, I'm going to try to pass important bills like the Child Victims Act, for example, to raise the statute of limitations.

Brad Hoylman: Secondly, I would say caring. Because at the end of the day, that's really government's responsibility. My role as a public official isn't to look out for the top 1% of our economy, it's look at the most vulnerable, those in our society who don't have a place to live, who are hungry, who can't get their kids in the

right school, or can't get to work on time because of the subway delays and the infrastructure that seems to be collapsing around us.

Brad Hoylman: Then third I would say progressive. Because really this is a moment in our history in the country that it's time for Americans to stand up for what they believe in terms of progressive values. We have to fight Donald Trump, the right wing, and the madness really that it's being imposed on our country and our state. For that reason, I think I'm the better candidate, but also the candidate that I hope will continue to fight for change in Albany.

Julie Walker: We're getting those important issues a bit later in the debate, but let's go to your challenger now, Ashton Theodore Randle. What three words would you use to describe yourself that identify you as a better candidate? Along with that, what makes you the right choice over your opponent?

Ashton T. R.: Well, I would like to also reiterate, we appreciate you having this forum allowing us to kind of discuss our ideas and our differences. For me, actually, advocate, strong advocate, it was just two words, but it is one statement. I have been working in the public policy space for almost 20 years. And one thing I believe is the fact that we need to bring effective public policy to government at all levels.

Ashton T. R.: The other one would be inquisitive. In looking at public policy, you need to go beyond the top levels of what is in [inaudible 00:04:15] media besides just education and taxation. I think we need to go farther and looking and see what issues are really impacting the lives of people on a daily basis in here. I don't think that rhetoric out of DC is the focus of the 27th district, I think that we need to be focusing on thrash and cleaner streets.

Ashton T. R.: Then also I would say that resilience, and just always willing to work to push forward with regards to issues and trying to make sure that lives are better for people in all communities that are in my district, in the state, and in the country.

Julie Walker: What is the major issue facing District 27 and what policy proposals do you want to pursue to address it?

Ashton T. R.: One thing obviously I believe is the trash and cleaner streets is one thing that we really need to focus on. In addition to NYCHA, or the public housing, and the MTA. Looking at the sanitation issue, we have contracts in all these other places that have not been reviewed, that have no real oversight, we literally see that we have trash trucks going up the wrong side of the streets, or not even going up streets at all and leaving our facilities, where our children are playing, in disarray. Also, leaving trash in the streets that is not giving us a clean city. MTA, we really need to look at how we can revamp-

Julie Walker: Let me stop you right there. We're going to get to the MTA in a moment, but you've mentioned trash, and cleaner streets. What policy proposals do you want to pursue to address it?

Ashton T. R.: Audits. We really need to look at audits for the New York's Department of Sanitation. Looking at who's getting paid, who's getting these contracts, and where the money is going.

Julie Walker: Okay. Now to you, State Senator, what is the major issue facing your district and what policy proposal do you want to pursue to address it?

Brad Hoylman: Julie, there are so many issues that impact the 27th District. It's an incredibly diverse district. We have some of the richest neighborhoods on the West Side with the Hudson Yards development springing up now, to Greenwich Village, to the East Village, and up to East Midtown. We also have a great number of rent regulated apartments within that incredibly rich tapestry of cultural and mass transit, and economic assets. We have about 50,000 rent regulated units here in the 27th Senate District. What concerns me most of all is the war on tenants that's occurring right now as we speak by landlords trying to force rent regulated tenants out of their homes.

Brad Hoylman: These are New Yorkers who have built so many neighborhoods and neighborhood like where Ashton lives in Hell's Kitchen, was built by a number of rent regulated tenants who actually were pioneers in an area that a lot of people didn't want to live. Where a lot of people didn't want to live 20 years ago, now it's one of the most prosperous. If we don't renew the rent laws in Albany and strengthen them at the same time by ending vacancy decontrol, by eliminating luxury decontrol, by stopping tenants from being charged for improvements that already paid for out of their rent and by making certain that the harassment that occurs day in and day out.

Brad Hoylman: You know, the other day I got a call from a tenant whose landlord is reconstructing their entire lobby. The intention, which is pretty obvious, is to make that tenant's life miserable, so he or she will take the buyout that the landlord is dangling in front of this tenant's face. Tenants have to fight back. If I were to say the most important issue in the 27th Senate District, it would be protecting rent stabilization, making certain that the members, the residents of the 27th Senate District are able to stay in their home and continue to prosper and make this neighborhood what it has been for decades.

Julie Walker: Let's stick with you for a moment, and then we'll get-

Ashton T. R.: I was going to ask to rebuttal, just a statement about that.

Julie Walker: Okay.

Ashton T. R.: One of the things, and I 100% agree with you, that we need to look at the housing issue, because that is a critical part, especially within the 27th District. But I also think that we need to look at what it is that tenants and landlords need to do together. Because we actually, everyone knows that there are these rules, and regulations around what rights tenants have, and what rights

landlords have. But I don't think that either of them really truly understand. I actually, looking at housing, would really propose a tenant landlord bill of rights. Very similar to what we have with Patient's Bill of Rights, Passenger's Bill of Rights. And really codifying that into one location and one place that we could really address a lot of these issues so that as you were talking about your example, we can really address some of these issues and make sure that tenants and landlords are both equally treated.

Brad Hoylman: Could I just follow on that?

Julie Walker: Yes.

Brad Hoylman: I'll say something that is probably not terribly controversial, which is money talks in Albany. The reason we have to protect tenants, not landlords, is because landlords go up to Albany every year, and because of something called the LLC loophole, they are able to contribute essentially unlimited amounts of money to the Republican Senate Conference. It happens time and time again. They use these phony corporate shows, which are treated as individuals under New York State Election Law, to contribute hundreds and hundreds of thousands of dollars to their favorite candidates. That results in this imbalance between tenants and landlords.

Brad Hoylman: It's not the landlords who need a bill of rights, all due respect, it's tenants who need a leg up, who need support, who need the rent laws reauthorized but strengthened, and next year is the critical year that the state senate needs to do that, and that's why it's so important that we elect a Democratic state senate. For decades, the Senate Republicans have ignored the needs of New York City tenants, because let's face it, they don't represent many of them. The senate chair of the housing community, a Republican, lives closer to Montreal than Manhattan. What does she care about New York City tenants? We have to win the senate back for the Democratic Conference, and that's what we're going to do hopefully in November, and we're going to strengthen those rent laws come the new session.

Julie Walker: I want to give you a chance to rebut if you have something to say, but I don't want to stay on housing-

Ashton T. R.: This topic, yeah.

Julie Walker: ... for the whole debate.

Ashton T. R.: I think we can easily say that there is money in politics on both sides, we cannot just say that Republicans are the only ones using loopholes helping with tenants or helping with landlords. I do think that there are some reforms that need to be addressed and looked at in Albany, but coming down here, I think that we really need to look and see how we can bring these two groups together to make an actual fix.

Ashton T. R.: As you do say, 100% agree, having a background in Washington, I've seen the way that money does influence politics, but I do think the purpose of our job is to make sure that we can bring our constituents together whether they're landlords or tenants to really address those grievances. So I do think that that's another conversation instead of saying blaming Republicans, I think, we should be able to work with Republicans and Democrats to address those loopholes.

Julie Walker: Let's talk about the MTA, something you mentioned before and we'll stay with you Mr. Randle. New York's Public Transit crisis has been decades in the making, how should the state move forward? Do you support the MTA fast forward plan?

Ashton T. R.: I do think that there [inaudible 00:12:38] need to be some addresses, some significant reforms. The fast forward plan I do think needs to have some additional review. In my opinion, I think the city should look at taking control of the system. We also need some procurement reforms looking at where the contracts are coming from, looking at the funding along those lines. I think that looking at the budgets, and that's really going to be where we're going to be able to make some significant changes. In addition, looking at potentially just new management and looking at ways to overhaul the way that the system in MTA is actually operating.

Julie Walker: Mr. Hoylman?

Brad Hoylman: I strongly support the Fast Forward plan. It's really the first real review we've had in a decade or longer of the MTA. There's something called the state of good repair, and that means are we putting enough money into the MTA just to make certain that the trains run on time, and the repairs are made? The fact is, we're not. Here's the thing about the Fast Forward plan, it costs, it's going to cost us \$40 billion. I also support congestion pricing, but with the bonds that'll raise, that's about \$20 billion of the plan. We got to come up with the remaining \$20 billion. So that's going to require a very, very intense focus from both houses in the legislature and the governor.

Brad Hoylman: We have to do better, we have to put more money into the MTA. By neglecting it for these years, by literally siphoning money from the MTA that was due the transit authority, we've seen what has happened. Julie, I was late to this debate, because of the A train being stuck at West Fourth. We've heard that time and time again from New Yorkers, it's the single most repeated request I get when I'm campaigning on the streets of the 27th Senate District. Fix the subway. That's our mandate to do that in Albany, but we've got to have the courage and the resolve to raise the revenue to do it.

Ashton T. R.: Only thing I would add to that is the fact of matter is I don't think that we can constantly just spend our way to a MTA fix. While you're talking about there is a \$20 billion that we have to raise, I think that we also really have to examine what is being spent. I think that that is the important thing first before we just

move forward with these projects. I think that we've seen in a lot of other opportunities, in a lot of other things, that that is a problem that we've been seeing happening, that a lot of people are excited about these programs, they list all these billion dollar programs, and no one knows what's in it.

Brad Hoylman: If I could just follow up. We've been essentially abandoned by the federal government when it comes to our mass transit. Donald Trump just essentially has canceled plans for federal support for the single most important infrastructure project in the region, which is the Hudson Tunnel. I was proud to sponsor and pass legislation in Albany that would allow that project to go forward, but we're going to have to figure out how to move a lot of people from New Jersey to New York City and we're going to do it without much federal support it seems at this point. It is important to look at new revenue streams. I hope you support congestion pricing, that's \$20 billion of the plan. But there's the other \$20 billion that's hanging out there.

Brad Hoylman: This is going to be a time that Democrats working with Governor Cuomo are going to have to take a hard look at the numbers. You know, again, the State Senate in Albany controlled by Republicans has been neglectful of MTA issues. When we try to talk about raising money for our subways, they complain about the bridges and highways. Well, here's the fact, for every dollar that Albany gets from New York City, New York City only get 60 cents back. We've been robbed for years by Albany, because money has been siphoned from our city and redistributed to the rest of the state. We've got to realign that formula and make certain that the economic engine, which is New York City, gets its fair share from Albany.

Julie Walker: I want to give you a chance to rebut, but I need to ask you about congestion pricing, because that was a separate issue, and the State Senator brought it up, and I didn't get to ask you about it.

Ashton T. R.: Of course, yes, and I do agree with congestion pricing. I do think that that's going to a way to start the engine to kind of get more money into the system. But yeah, that is true. But going back into what you were mentioning about the president and kind of what he's blocking. I think that, as we've seen with the President out of Washington, which he is a very business and focus oriented person. He has not been fully vested, and also aware about what it is that they're going to use the money for.

Ashton T. R.: We've noticed that the way he operates, the fact is he wants to know detail-oriented plans, you can't just go to Washington and say, "I just need this, because this tunnel is broken." I have yet to honestly see any real, concrete, detail, line-by-line audit besides Governor Cuomo, and the Democrats saying, "We just need more money from the federal government."

Brad Hoylman: If I could just follow up on Trump and the war he seems to have proclaimed on New York State. He's tax plan, that gives the riches enormous tax breaks is going

to cost New York State an estimated \$17.5 and billion, New York State tax payers an estimated \$17.5 billion in new taxes this spring. That's an average of other \$5,000 per tax payer. That includes middle class, and lower income folks. It's not just enough to say that, in fact, I'd say it's incorrect to say that Donald Trump is a business man focused on results. He's a politician who's spreading lies about New York's needs, and at the same time demonizing the sectors of our society, whether it be the press, immigrants, LGBT people, and women, to an extent that we on the stage cannot support anything from the White House.

- Brad Hoylman: When they talk about resistance, I think you're talking about Democrats, and hopefully, courageous Republicans who stand up to Trump in his misdeeds.
- Julie Walker: Speaking about New York needs, I think we need to get back on track here in talking about the needs of your constituents. How do you suggest or plan to encourage and keep local business owners in your district? Do you support cuts to the commercial tax? We'll start with you Mr. Randle.
- Ashton T. R.: I do think that we need to actually look, I'm [inaudible 00:19:47] feel that we really need to look at more business partnerships with community organizations and corporate social responsibility programs. Bringing together business and local communities, I would need to [inaudible 00:20:02] more about the tax to see what the full impacts are down the line, but we really need to look at, especially in our district, where you have storefronts closing, you have empty lots, you have housing issues, and things of that nature with regards to business. Those are the things that I'm really more focused on and trying to get people and business and other organizations together to address those issues.
- Julie Walker: State Senator Hoylman?
- Brad Hoylman: I most certainly do, in fact, it was the city council last year that passed an exemption for businesses in Manhattan who, for whatever reason historically, are being charged the commercial rent tax, where other businesses are not. To eliminate it altogether would cost the city quite a considerable sum, but at the same time we had to do something to figure out how to save these storefronts. I did a report in my office where we showed a stretch of Bleecker Street in Chelsea had about one fifth of storefronts as being vacant.
- Brad Hoylman: We need to look at different steps, including proposals like instituting a legacy business support program, for businesses that are historic to the neighborhood. They should have special assistance and special consideration. We need to help small businesses with their leases. I wish our city small business services had a forum lease for tenants, not just for the landlords, but also for tenants. I wish they could provide ongoing legal assistance when small businesses lease expire, sometimes the owner throws his hand up and says, "I can't fight back any longer."

Brad Hoylman: Then finally, we need to figure out how to encourage people to shop locally. You know, part of this problem is of course landlords and the skyrocketing rents where businesses are forced out. Another part of the problem is the fact that a lot of people are purchasing items online, and our shopping habits have changed. For those small businesses that are in the neighborhood, and we seem to be running out of them, whether be the shoe store or the dry cleaner. We have to provide assistance, that's government's responsibility.

Julie Walker: Okay, we gave you a little extra time.

Ashton T. R.: I was going to say, we do agree on something, I do agree on the legacy aspect of that, because I do think that we see a lot of stores that are really becoming part, that are part of these communities, that are literally leaving their leases and losing their culture within the communities for other businesses that are corporate. We do need to work on including that into our plans for looking at revalorization of areas.

Brad Hoylman: If I can just add, next week the city council is considering something called the small business survivor act, which has mandated arbitration between small businesses and landlords. We should look at that seriously, that's something that can be done at the city level.

Julie Walker: Let's move one to the reproductive health act. The reproductive health act, which would codify Roe versus Wade into state law has been stuck in the senate. Stuck in the state senate. If reelected, what are your feelings about getting this bill out?

Brad Hoylman: It's really a heartbreaking story for a lot of New York women the fact that in New York we're reliant on Roe versus Wade for our reproductive health laws. The laws in New York State haven't been updated since the early 1970s. Here's the concern. With Kavanaugh on the Supreme Court, I know we don't want to talk about federal issues, but what happens in Washington matters in New York. Here's a good example. If Roe is repealed in Washington, New York will no longer have their laws to protect reproductive health to the 24th week. We actually need to expand our reproductive health laws, codify them. Not in the criminal statutes, where they currently are. But in the civil statutes.

Brad Hoylman: I've heard this story, and it really is quite upsetting, a young couple had a pregnancy that was difficult, and they were told by the physician that the baby would be born, but not live much long after birth. The woman's health was in danger, she couldn't get an abortion in New York State because it was beyond 24 weeks. They actually had to fly to California with a woman carrying her unborn baby for that medical procedure. That's not right and we need to fix the law in New York State for women and for families.

Julie Walker: You're in the State Senate, the act is stuck in the state senate, so what would you do to get it unstuck?

Brad Hoylman: We win the senate. The Democrats [inaudible 00:25:20]. I wouldn't say it's stuck in the state senate, it's never had a vote in the state senate. It's never had a hearing in the state senate. We need to win a Democratic majority, because the Republicans have shown us for the last 40 odd years that they do not support a woman's right to choose. There used to be a thing called the Rockefeller Republican, and there are apparently some Republicans who still support a woman's right to choose. But they're not legislating their conviction, they're not letting the bill be considered. So Julie, the answer very simply put is when a Democratic State Senate will pass the woman's reproductive health act and make certain that women are protected in New York State.

Julie Walker: Mr. Randle.

Ashton T. R.: Mine will be very short, so you don't have to worry about that. I think that we have made very simple that Roe is the law of the land. Constantly we see Democrats always trying to introduce more and more legislation to just constantly bog down the system without doing effective public policymaking. In the case of the reproductive act, I think it's another attempt to just try to basically put Republicans in this anti-women's movement box, which is not the case.

Ashton T. R.: Most Republicans, and some of them, especially progressive Republicans like myself, while we are pro life, we do believe that women, when it comes to abortion, and when the life of the mother and child are at risk, that those will, rape and incest as well, need to be taken into consideration. But when the fact of matter is that we do have law in the land that Roe is the law of the land. That's it. That's all we need.

Julie Walker: So if the bill comes up, and you are elected to the state senate, how would you vote on it.

Ashton T. R.: I don't think we need miscellaneous laws that are already in a state law of the land. I would vote no.

Julie Walker: Let's move on to the environment. That's a big issue. What are three of the biggest concerns when it comes to New York City's environment and have you planned to tackle those issues? We'll go back to you Mr. Hoylman.

Brad Hoylman: Thank you, Julie. One of the major concerns, I think, that New Yorkers share with I think most right-thinking Americans is human induced climate change. In the state of New York, we haven't taken the steps that we need to do at the legislative level to combat that. Everyone, every state, has to do its fair share to reduce carbon emissions, to bring us to 100% reliance on renewable sources of fuel. California is headed that direction, but because of the Republican State Senate, we haven't been able to get a hearing or a vote on the major climate change legislation in Albany, which is the climate and community protection act.

Brad Hoylman: I carry that legislation, so I'm very proud of it. It would not only move New York to 100% renewables, but also protect workers and other vulnerable people from the impacts of climate change. We saw after super storm Sandy the people that were hurt the most weren't the people on Park Avenue, or Billionaires' Row, it were the vulnerable communities on the Lower East Side in my district who had their public housing flooded and their boilers blown out. I just visited one yesterday.

Brad Hoylman: Secondly, in addition to climate change, we still have to focus on making certain that fracking waste is banned from New York State. In New York State you can still transport fracking waste across our borders, and that's a real problem for local communities, upstate in particular, that use some of this fracking waste to lay on roads during snowstorms. Hard to believe, but that's true. Then third, I would say what's incredibly important with our natural resources is just not far from here, the Hudson River.

Brad Hoylman: I've been working very hard to make certain that PCBs are eliminated, that testing occurs up and down the length of the river. And mostly that the company responsible for dumping those cancer-causing agents pay for the entire clean up. There's the principle that I want to see into New York law, which is polluters must pay, and not the public. We've seen it in places like Hoosick Falls, where the public ends up shouldering most of the bill, but it should've been the company that did the polluting. So, as our infrastructure ages, as we learn more about chemicals in our water, and in industrial sites, we need to make certain that the historic polluters are on the hook.

Brad Hoylman: We have potential Love Canals all across the state of New York, and we need to be very aggressive in making certain that our local communities are protected and that the cleanup occurs not at the cost of the tax payers.

Julie Walker: Mr. Randle.

Ashton T. R.: I have to say the one thing, when it comes to the environment, I think we always have to go to the experts. In my opinion in working in public policy, I think that unfortunately government has really been working to just go ahead and take ideas without looking at experts, without working with other entities to find out what are the best common sense solutions to either looking at green spaces, looking at carbon emissions, [inaudible 00:31:13] business, community service organizations, neighborhood organizations all need to come together to tackle these issues, wants to make sure that there's equitable results. As you have mentioned, I agree with you, that we need to look at what is going on with the water that's happening in the city, in the Hudson River.

Ashton T. R.: We do need to look at some green spaces that are happening. With carbon emissions and things of that nature, I think and climate change, those are things that need to continue to be studied, and continue to figure out the best way for

business and for organizations to come together and address those issues in a common sense, effective public policy way.

Brad Hoylman: Let me just add to that-

Julie Walker: We actually have to get to closing statements, and if you'd like to put it in your closing statement, you can. Let's start with you.

Brad Hoylman: The MTA recently purchased 200 diesel buses for the L Tunnel shutdown. It's an example, I think, of bureaucratic ignorance about the need for us to move to sustainable forms of transportation. But I'll say to the voters of the 27th Senate District how honored I've been to serve you for the last six years, and how eager I am to continue my work in Albany, mostly because I think we're on the cusp of real change. In Albany, there have been ethics violations, there have been lack of attention to real societal needs, whether it be reproductive health, which we discussed, or LGBTQ rights. It's still legal in the state of New York for license therapists to try to convert a gay kid's sexuality. That's unacceptable.

Brad Hoylman: But because of the Republican Senate, they have locked issues like that. Not to mention the other issues we talked about. Rent regulation and making certain that tenants can stay in their home, or ensuring that our MTA is fixed. The lack of attention to the MTA over decades is, I would argue, political malpractice, and it's time for the politicians to step up and to fix that with ethics reform, with focus on our infrastructure, including mass transit, and our public school teachers, and making certain that we have a fair society that protects women's health, that passes a single payer healthcare for New Yorkers and that makes certain that vulnerable communities whether they be LGBTQ kids, or whether they be immigrants are protected. I'm hopeful that we can do that with a change in Albany. Change is on the way, I'm hopeful that I'm going to be part of it.

Brad Hoylman: Let's elect a Democratic State Senate, and make Andrea Steward-Cousins the first African American woman to head a legislative chamber in Albany. Thank you, and I appreciate your consideration.

Julie Walker: Now on to your challenger, Ashton Theodore Randle, your closing statement please.

Ashton T. R.: Thank you again for having us here today. I have to say that we've had a spirited debate. I think we're both great men with great ideas just coming to the [inaudible 00:34:26] at different ways. If you really look back, I always say, you either take Ronald Reagan's approach what have you done, were you better four years from then, or are you better four years today. Or Janet Jackson's approach, which what have you done for me lately. I think that we can see that there is a lot of things that have not changed in the six years that my opponent has been in office.

Ashton T. R.: I really believe that we do need to have change, and we do need to continue to have a Republican Senate with a higher majority that can tackle the issues that are really impacting the 27th District. We look at issues around the MTA, we look around sanitation, we look around economic growth, [inaudible 00:35:06], seniors, vulnerable populations, things that we really can tackle here [inaudible 00:35:11] 27th. One thing that I really wanted to get a change to talk about was we have aging caregiving population that has been raising children, who have mental and physical disabilities, that their caregivers are growing from labor to reward, and are not able to have transitional planning.

Ashton T. R.: We need to have transitional planning programs working with corporate, with social responsibility, and business to make those families safe, and make sure those populations don't become the next people on the subway and the streets. I think that those partnerships are impacting the district directly, and that's where my focus is. Not taking the fight to Donald Trump, and not taking it to DC, we're going to be focusing here on the 27th District, and the impact and the issues that are impacting us daily, and annually. In looking forward to November 6th, I'm excited to have you with your vote and your support. I appreciate everything you guys done today.

Julie Walker: Thank you both. I want to thank all the candidates for participating in today's debate and thank you for watching. Please, remember to vote. The general election is on Tuesday, November 6th. For more information on voting, locating your polling site, and all the candidates, you can visit our website RacetoRepresent.com. Or the League of Women Voters website, LWVNY.org. Thank you for watching Race to Represent on Manhattan Neighborhood Network.