## **34th City Council District Antonio Reynoso** (D)

Hi, my name is Antonio Reynoso and I am running for City Council in the 34th District, representing Williamsburg, Bushwick in Brooklyn and Ridgewood in Queens. I was raised in the Los Sures section of Williamsburg to parents from the Dominican Republic. For the last seven years I have worked for the current Council Member, Diana Reyna, three of which I served as the Chief of Staff. Working as the community liaison, I fostered relationships with building and small business owners and facilitated the bureaucratic processes of city government. As the Chief of Staff to Diana Reyna, I oversaw and advanced progressive policies and legislative reforms for affordable housing, economic development, job creation, education, and public safety. Moreover, as the Councilmember's chief of staff, I am well acquainted with the important issues of the district, the inner-workings of the City Council, and have made countless strides of inclusion to the many diverse communities that make up the 34th Council District, my community. I intend on advocating for protecting and improving our public schools. As a graduate of public schools myself, I recognize the importance of education and the contribution and impact they have on our communities. I want to spark community interest, involvement, and accountability in these institutions and I will fight to save public schools from the budget chopping block. Central to my campaign is access to dignified and affordable housing. I believe that everyone should be afforded the opportunity to live in a home in his or her community. I want to assist local Housing Development Corporations with the development and preservation of affordable housing units. Finally, small businesses have unique hurdles that need to be addressed. I will fight to bring about a thriving business culture that's sustainable while being socially responsible to the community and its needs. I will work to create meaningful tax incentives, credits, and expenditures for businesses to invest and expand. As Council Member for the 34th District I will work hard to meet the demands of our diverse communities. I have the experience we need; I have displayed the dedication, and will continue to fight alongside our community members.

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