

Manhattan Borough President

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Hello, I am City Councilwoman Jessica Lappin. Since 2006 I've had the honor of representing the East Side and Roosevelt Island. I'd like to tell you a little about me and why I hope to have your vote for Borough President. Manhattan has always been my home. I was raised by a single mom — am a product of our public schools — Stuyvesant — and am now a public school mom. So I understand the challenges Manhattan families face. That's why my number one priority would be making Manhattan more affordable for middle-class and working families. That means focusing on housing, jobs and our schools. I've been a strong, pro-tenant leader. And I'll continue to work to preserve and expand affordable housing. I also fought to bring the Cornell-Tech campus here to create tens of thousands of jobs. As a public school mom, I know how important quality schools are. I fought so hard to open five new school buildings, expand pre-K, and open more gifted-and-talented slots. And as Chair of the Aging Committee, I led the charge to save 100 senior centers and preserve funding for Meals on Wheels. As Borough President, I would focus on issues important to women — like expanding child care and defending our right to choose. I wrote a law, praised by the New York Times and NARAL, to stop anti-abortion extremists from luring women into fake family planning clinics. I'm proud to have the endorsements from Congresswoman Carolyn Maloney, State Senators Liz Krueger, Brad Hoylman, Tom Duane, the Gay & Lesbian Independent Democrats, y de tener el apoyo de tantos colegas hispanos — el Senador Jose Serrano, el Asambleísta Francisco Moya y la Concejal Julissa Ferreras. I'd be honored to have your vote and to work for you as Manhattan's next Borough President. Thank you.

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