6th City Council District

Mel Wymore (D)

Hello, my name is Mel Wymore. I'm a Democrat running for City Council on the Upper West Side.

My candidacy is a natural progression of more than 25 years of work in our community. I have been a member of the Community Board for 17 years, and I was elected chair of the board twice.

In our community we are facing overcrowded schools, a shortage of affordable housing, the slow erosion of small businesses, unsafe streets, and underfunded parks.

Of all the candidates in this race, I am the only one with a record of accomplishments on all these issues.

As chair of the Community Board, I stood up to big developers to get the Upper West Side's first new school in 30 years, secured 600,000 square feet of permanent low-income housing, and \$20 million for new parks.

I worked side by side with Gale Brewer to win zoning changes to ensure that our Mom and Pop stores will no longer be gobbled up by drug store chains and big banks.

I united community stakeholders to raise \$15 million to renovate the 59th Street Rec Center.

I championed redesigns, which has calmed traffic and reduced injuries to pedestrians.

The reason I've been able to get so much done over the years is because I'm a consensus builder, and believe that we can find common ground and work out solutions where everyone feels included.

That's what will be needed if our next Council Member is going to be as effective as our current one has been.

If results are what you want, and if what you want is an advocate who will work for you, work together with you, and empower you as citizens, vote Mel Wymore Election Day.

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