## 22nd City Council District Costa Constantinides (D, WF)

Hello, my name is Costa Constantinides and I'm running to be your City Councilmember. I've been working my entire life for a better, safer Astoria and Western Queens. I loved growing up in this neighborhood. I learned early on the importance of fighting for this community when, as a kid, I marched with my mother to protect our schools. Now, as a husband and father, I'm raising my family here and want to make it the best in the city. As a community organizer, district leader, and staffer in the City Council I've won some important victories. As a Democratic District Leader, I helped save the Grand Avenue Post Office, improved traffic safety, protected valuable schools and education programs, and helped ensure Astoria received its fair share of funding. As President of the Queens County Young Democrats, I worked to help elect President Obama and other progressive leaders. As an executive board member of the UCCA, I've worked for responsible development and to protect our environment and guality of life. As a Legislative Director and Deputy Chief of Staff in the City Council, I worked to pass legislation to reduce air pollution and improve our drinking water guality. As your City Councilman, I will bring that proven leadership to fight every single day for our community. My plan is to hire more police officers and firefighters for a safer community. To improve access to health care by expanding Mt. Sinai Hospital. To eliminate overcrowding in public schools by adding more teachers and school seats. To reduce air pollution by closing down and dismantling old, dirty power plants and to improve and expand our green space. It's a big plan and it won't be easy. But I can guarantee that no one will work harder for you in the City Council. Thank you for your time.

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