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Scarpino Campaign Launches “Women for Scarpino”

Steering Committee Will Guide Get out the Votes Efforts for Women in Finally Weeks of Campaign

Westchester, New York (May 20, 2020) — A group of Westchester’s most prominent women has formed a steering committee called “Women for Scarpino,” to guide District Attorney Scarpino’s “get out the vote” efforts for female Democrats in the final weeks of the campaign. Members of the group cite DA Scarpino’s strong record of supporting issues important to the movement for equal rights for women throughout his career as reasons for their support.

The group includes:

- Leigh Scarpino
- Julie Scarpino
- Yonkers City Councilmember Corazon Pineda
- Joan Becker, Chair of the Lewisboro Democratic Committee
- Ossining Democratic Committee Chair Thomasina Laidley Brown
- White Plains Common Councilmember Vicki Presser
- White Plains Common Councilmember Jenn Puja
- Linda A. Fernberg, Co-Chair of the North Castle Democratic Committee
- Karen Pasquale, District Leader
- New York State Assemblymember Amy Paulin
- Symra Brandon, Democratic State Committee Member
- Suzanne Berger, Chair of the Greenburgh Town Democratic Committee
- Pat Puleo, Community Leader
- New York State Senator Shelley Mayer
- Florence McCue, Community Leader
- Diane Torstrup, District Leader
- Rev. Deirdra Gray Clark
- Christine Robbins, First Vice Chair of the Westchester County Democratic Committee
- Ellen Kearns, Assistant Secretary to the Westchester County Democratic Committee
- Dee Delbello, Community Leader
- Peekskill Councilwoman Patricia Wiley
- Peekskill Councilwoman Kathleen Talbot



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“As a mother, a young Democrat and a tireless advocate for women and my community, I am pleased to endorse District Attorney Scarpino for reelection. DA Scarpino has been a true advocate for the people of Yonkers and all of Westchester. His strong progressive record has helped advance the causes of criminal justice reform, alternatives to incarceration and public safety among many others. I hope Westchester Democrats will join me in voting for him in the primary election on June 23rd,” **said Yonkers City Council Majority Leader Corazon Pineda.**

District Attorney Tony Scarpino’s Record on Issues Critical to Westchester’s Women

District Attorney Tony Scarpino has been an ally in the movement for women’s equality for his entire career. He is staunchly pro-choice and has been endorsed by the Westchester Coalition for Legal Abortion five times, including in 2016.

As DA, Scarpino has been a strong advocate for reforms to protect victims of trafficking, particularly children. Among his accomplishments, he successfully fought for a State law which created a new crime called Sex Trafficking of a Child. The law makes it easier for prosecutors to prove a child is a trafficking victim. He also worked directly with Assemblymember Amy Paulin to pass a law that allows prostitution cases pending before local criminal courts to be transferred to courts that specialize in human trafficking cases, ensuring fairness and justice for victims.

On domestic violence, his office has adopted a “believe victims first” approach. In the coronavirus pandemic, the District Attorney has been outspoken about the dangers that victims of domestic violence face as a result of stay-at-home orders. He has made clear that his office is a safe haven for victims and has been proactive in his outreach in this regard.

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