## **Environmentalists For Kassay**

Dear Friend of the Environment,

We are reaching out to you in an effort to elect a representative to the New York State Assembly who is experienced in finding solutions to and securing funding for our local environmental issues. We need to elect officials who will work to address the problems we face today, and create a sustainable future for the next generations of Long Islanders.

As leaders of the environmental community in our area, we are writing to urge you to vote for Rebecca Kassay for New York State Assembly in the November 5th election.

It's time to elect another **environmental leader who will work tirelessly** on behalf of clean water and clean air in our region and our state. We represent many environmental organizations with different missions and goals, and we all agree that **Rebecca Kassay**, the former Port Jefferson Village Deputy **Mayor**, is a dedicated public official who has a strong track record of working for a better environmental future for our planet. As a long-time environmental advocate and educator, Rebecca **created and directed a youth environmental volunteer program at Avalon Nature Preserve** in Stony Brook, **secured a Federal flood study** for Port Jefferson Village, consistently **implemented science-based climate resilience strategies**, and worked alongside many of Suffolk County's environmental professionals and organizations to enhance environmental stewardship across Long Island.

That's why former Assemblyman **Steve Englebright has endorsed Rebecca Kassay** and is working hard with all of us to get her elected to the fourth district Assembly seat that he worked from so effectively for more than three decades.

Unfortunately, we have seen how ineffective the current Assemblymember has been in his role representing our communities. We are burdened by his critical failure to bring back much needed funding to the district to preserve open space, upgrade infrastructure, address water quality, and to protect and prepare our communities as we face increasingly severe weather events.

We desperately need Rebecca's advocacy and environmental experience in Albany. Rebecca knows that planning for climate change is one of the most **fiscally responsible actions** a government can undertake, seeing the devastating consequences of our outdated infrastructure on local homeowners, small businesses, and first responders. Regardless of what happens in the national elections in November, it's important for us to elect a local public servant who will work in Albany to address the problems we face today and work towards a safer, sustainable, more affordable future.

Please mark down **November 5th** on your calendar and join us in voting for **Rebecca Kassay for New York State Assembly**.

Signed,

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