School Representative Candidate

Yvette Edidin

What is your name, the seat you are running for, and one or two lines about you personally?
YVETTE EDIDIN
SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVE
I am a mom with 2 sons (ages 12 and 10) and a daughter (age 7). I have had careers in both business and government-the most recent stint being as a local Mayor in NY. My daughter has Type 1 Diabetes. My husband and I are very active in related charities to try to find a cure for Diabetes.

What is your stake in SORO?
My family moved to SORO 4 years ago. We own our home in the Beverlywood HOA. I have become active in local nonprofits (mostly school-related) as a consultant and Board member. I am running as School Representative stakeholder.

I started JCEP-Junior Civic Engagement Project- a program for local schools to increase civic awareness and activity among students and parents and to bring public servants and politicians into schools to speak about the important work they are doing.

What is your favorite thing about this community?
I love the sense of community and diversity in SORO.

Five years from now, how might SORO look different, and how would you make that happen?
I would like to see SORO’s business districts beautified, more local parkspace, more efficient and environmental flow of traffic, and safer streets. To use my lens as School Representative, I hope to build stronger bridges into our local schools to bring more volunteer resources, and increase scholarships for after school and before school programming.

What are your strongest skills and leadership qualities, and how will they be an asset to your work as a board member?
I was a community activist and two-term local Mayor in New York for 8 years. I REDUCED TAXES, BUILT A PLAYGROUND, RENOVATED TOWN HALL, UPGRADED PUBLIC ROADS, PIPES, DRAINAGE SYSTEM, & STREET LIGHTING, INTRODUCED PRIVATE SECURITY, & ADDED 3-Day/week MUNICIPAL GARBAGE & RECYCLING SERVICE.

I want to bring this NO-NONSENSE PROBLEM SOLVING & BUDGETING expertise to SORO. Let’s Get To Work, SORO!

What is one thing most people don’t know about you?
I grew up in a home in NY that was part of the Underground Railroad. There is a bell at the top of the house that would warn people to use a secret escape tunnel underground.

Register to vote online (until May 31) at soronc.org/vote
Vote in person at the SoRo Festival, Sunday June 5, 11:30-3pm.