

Greetings. My name is Councilman James Sanders Jr. My father was a sharecropper and a janitor, my mother was a domestic worker. What they lacked in money, they made up for in love. They each worked two jobs so that my siblings and I could go to college.

From my birth in the Hammels Houses, my parents taught me the value of helping people, so I accept the responsibility to help people help themselves.

To any who want to attack your family in our District, think again. I led the fight against the hotsheet motel that wanted to locate across from your child's high school. I sponsored a gun buyback program that took 922 weapons off the street, I sponsored entrepreneurial programs to create jobs, and I stopped banks from stealing our homes.

In 2008, I was the only Queens elected official to endorse then Senator Barack Obama and led the charge for him in the New York Primary. Heck, I even went out to Ohio, Pennsylvania and South Carolina to campaign, and we won.

In the next four years, we will build vocational schools and youth centers in our District and create jobs in our community. We have done amazing things these last eight years, but the job is not over. We will not stop until everyone who wants a job has one, until criminals know that if they do the crime they do the time, and every youth gets our nation's best education.

If you re-elect me, I will continue to crusade for working people.

Come, let's take this journey together.

Vote for James Sanders Jr. for City Council on Election Day.

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