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Step Outside the Box -- Vote for the Best Candidate

To The Editor: October 15, 2026

This November, I am voting for Brandi Mandato for State Senator. I know many of us in town are used to the state senator and representative pair that we have had in Hartford for so many years now. However, I implore you to question whether or not our current state senator is actually fighting for you and your family or is he simply filling a seat and collecting a paycheck.

I know Brandi personally and I must say that she is one of the most dedicated hardworking people in town. She fights for things she cares about, and she deeply cares about North Haven. This is who we need in Hartford- someone who cares and will fight for what is best for our town. Someone who will fight for our schools, for our seniors, for what is right. Is that what we have today?

I encourage everyone to do your research ahead of this important election. Prices are rising everywhere and it is becoming more difficult to get by. We can no longer accept the status quo, we need more from our elected officials, and I know Brandi can and will deliver that for us if given the chance.

So, on November 3, rather than vote down party lines, I encourage everyone to take a step outside the box and vote for the best candidate rather than just a republican or a democrat. Brandi is what is best for North Haven, and she just happens to be a democrat.

If you don't want to take my word for it, do your research and you will see it is glaringly clear that Brandi Mandato is who we need in Hartford, fighting for each and every one of us.

Sincerely, Shayna Hackett

The System Should Work for Everyone

To The Editor: October 14, 2026

Connecticut's tax system asks a lot of working families.

Property taxes continue to rise. Families pay more for necessities. Meanwhile, some of the largest corporations and wealthiest individuals continue to benefit from a system that often feels tilted in their favor.

That doesn't seem fair.

Brandi Mandato is talking about tax fairness in a way that resonates with me. Her position is simple: working people should not bear a disproportionate share of the burden while those with the greatest resources contribute less than they should.

Reasonable people can debate tax policy. But I think most people agree that the system should work for everyone, not just those at the top.

Brandi's willingness to advocate for tax fairness, invest in communities, and support education is one of the reasons she has earned my support.

Connecticut succeeds when working families succeed. We need leaders who understand that.

Sincerely,
Stephanie Magnuson, North Haven

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Reasons for a Change in the Status Quo

To The Editor: October 15, 2026

This election cycle is here and once again broadcasting the opportunity to hold elected leaders to the very same high standard of character the distinct position commands for this community and the surrounding areas.

With that said, my focus is on the state senate contest for the 34th district. This very issue is in the forefront as accountability is sandwiched with character and ability. No one should have to accept questionable motives for the sake of power. Representation must be earned with strong integrity and a noble intention of service. I understand this is a lofty ask in these cynical days, though I hold firmly to optimism. I submit the reality of my words shining through remain an arduous request of the populace and yet a possibility just the same.

I propose to you all, that I consider one's ability and willingness to hold themselves accountable for all actions, decisions and conduct paramount for consideration of eligibility for elected office. Should there be any dispute of these measures of integrity with any candidate as I am concerned, only provides a stain these aforementioned communities cannot endure. There remains a vast array of unanswered questions and insider commentary pointing to a dereliction of trust which only enhances the already absurd level of suspicion many voters subscribe to.

For these reasons I seek a change in status quo politics as I submit my endorsement this election cycle to Brandi Mandato for state senate. I have had many opportunities to become acquainted with Brandi's character, integrity and ability to do this work without question. With 20+ years experience creating policy that assists people to grow and thrive will benefit us all from day one in Hartford, by doing the work needed and willing to ask the right questions with a sharp intellect. I steadfastly believe what I have yet to discover about her talents will be a great improvement from the reports I have learned about her opponent. With a clear conscience her focus will be on the issues that directly affect us. Want to know more? Look up her platform, ask questions.

Michael Nappe, North Haven

Dave's Leadership and Bipartisanship Works in Serving Our Town

To The Editor: October 15, 2026

I am writing to urge all North Haveners to vote for Dave Yaccarino for our State Representative. Dave has dedicated the last 16 years to the service of our community as a state legislator. He is a lifelong town resident, with a long history of volunteerism for our community prior to his political career. I have fond memories of working with Dave back in the 1990s with the Boy Scouts, and Dave was a beloved coach for various youth sports teams as well.

His love for our Town shines through as Dave works tirelessly, year-round, to assist many of our citizens with a variety of issues. Dave has extensive knowledge of all state resources available to help people with problems related to public benefits and services. Dave not only listens, but he follows up and makes sure that the issue at hand is resolved. This is an important responsibility of being a state rep, and it is a critical advantage for North Haven to have an experienced representative like Dave working for us in Hartford.

Dave's dedication to his elected position is apparent with his 100% voting record. And Dave understands the importance of bipartisanship. Dave is respected for his willingness to reach across party lines, especially in committee meetings, to develop the best ideas and solutions for our State. Dave is a member, and in some cases a ranking member, of several important legislative committees; yet another advantage that comes with his years of experience.

Personally, during the many years I served on the Board of Selectmen, I experienced Dave's bipartisanship firsthand. I always counted on Dave, especially during budget season, to provide me with any information I requested. If he didn't know the immediate answer, my phone would ring within the hour, and Dave would give me the latest data. Dave and I also worked collaboratively on an effort to amend the Affordable Housing Act. It didn't matter that I was a democrat; Dave believed it was essential for state and local leaders to work together to serve the Town.

We need Dave's experience and work ethic in Hartford. Please vote for Dave Yaccarino.

Respectfully submitted, Sally J. Buemi, North Haven

Grateful for Dave's Continued Service

To The Editor: October 14, 2026

I am writing to express my strong support for State Representative David Yaccarino. As a resident of North Haven and a professional working in the field of public education, I have a clear perspective on Representative Yaccarino's dedication. I live in the community he represents with such deep care, and I witness the positive, tangible impact of his commitment to public education and workforce development across our region.

Representative Yaccarino has consistently proven that his dedication to education extends across municipal lines, political parties, and age groups. He understands that learning for some is not linear and requires different opportunities and options, including manufacturing, trades, college pathways, and more. Throughout his tenure in the Connecticut General Assembly, he has worked across the aisle to ensure that educational resources are expanded to meet learners wherever they are in life.

What truly sets Representative Yaccarino apart is his willingness to listen and learn. He does not take a one-size-fits-all approach to policy; instead, he takes the time to visit educational programs, engage with educators, and understand the specialized needs of students navigating non-traditional workforce training programs. Whether supporting vocational education, literacy, career certificate programs, or flexible education pathways, Dave recognizes that these programs serve as a vital bridge to economic stability and personal empowerment.

Representative Yaccarino understands that providing individuals with second chances and alternative pathways benefits not only the students themselves, but also our local economy, families, and communities across New Haven County.

I am proud to live in his district, and I am deeply grateful for his steadfast support of education and lifelong learning. I wholeheartedly support Representative Dave Yaccarino and thank him for his continued service to the town of North Haven and the state of Connecticut.

Sincerely, Michelle Bonora - Resident, North Haven

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Elect Leaders Who Will Fight For North Haven -- Elect Brandi Mandato

To The Editor: October 15, 2026

Like many North Haven parents, I spent the past several months watching our community struggle through another difficult budget season. The conversations were emotional because people care deeply about our schools, our taxes, and our future.

What frustrates me is that we continue to fight with each other over resources while Connecticut's school funding system continues to shortchange communities like ours.

North Haven receives millions less in state education aid than many comparable communities. Every year, local taxpayers are asked to make up the difference. Every year, we hear the same arguments. Every year, we find ourselves in the same position.

That is why I am supporting Brandi Mandato for State Senate.

Brandi understands that strong schools are not a luxury. They are one of the most important investments a community can make. She has been clear that Connecticut needs to modernize its education funding system and ensure communities receive their fair share.

This election is about more than politics. It is about whether we continue accepting the status quo or elect leaders who will fight for North Haven.

I believe Brandi Mandato will be that leader.

Sincerely, Lucia Rafala

Courage, Compassion and Commitment to Public Service

To The Editor: October 15, 2026

I am proud to support Brandi Mandato for Connecticut State Senate. Throughout her career, Brandi has worked to expand opportunities, support working families, and advocate for fairness and equity. Her work supporting displaced workers during the Great Recession was recognized by the Obama Administration as a national best practice, and she has continued to advocate for her community and the people who too often go unheard.

One of the things I respect most about Brandi is that she is not afraid to stand up for those who cannot always stand up for themselves. She will not back down from bullies, even when doing so is unpopular. Just as importantly, she remains approachable and willing to engage in open, productive conversations with people who agree and disagree with her. This is they kind of leader we need.

As an educator and a parent, I want leaders who will fight for our children, families, schools, and communities while remaining willing to listen and work toward solutions. I believe Brandi brings that combination of courage, compassion, and commitment to public service, and I am proud to support her candidacy for State Senate.

Renee Mazzadra, North Haven

North Haven is Ready for an Energized Advocate - Elect Dr. Kathleen Kimball

To The Editor: October 15, 2026

North Haven has an important opportunity in the upcoming election to choose a fresh, practical voice to represent us in Hartford - Dr. Kathleen Kimball for State Representative in the 87th District. Dr. Kimball is not a career politician. As an emergency and urgent care veterinarian, her career has been built on helping families navigate their hardest moments, bringing an essential combination of compassion and objective problem-solving to difficult situations. We need exactly this type of real-world experience, competence, and decisive leadership under pressure representing us in Hartford.

Her platform targets the precise issues hitting North Haven families hardest. Dr. Kimball is deeply committed to affordability, equitable tax reform that supports our seniors aging in place, and fully restoring public school funding so every student can thrive regardless of their zip code. Furthermore, her firsthand experience in healthcare drives her focus to protect families from falling through the cracks by expanding access to affordable care.

Having had the same representative in Hartford since 2011 with no meaningful legislative accomplishments, North Haven is ready for an energized advocate who listens carefully and stays accountable to the people. Dr. Kathleen Kimball will bring transparent, community focused leadership to the State Capitol. Please vote for her on November 3rd.

Sincerely,
Gerald A. Feinberg, North Haven

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