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Q: Please provide a brief biography of yourself for the voters.

A: Alessandra Brus brings capital-markets and business consulting experience suited to financial oversight. She led institutional sales and trading teams and later advised companies on budgeting, forecasting, and strategic planning. She studied English Literature at University of California, San Diego, she has served on boards including CASA, Inc., volunteerism includes, Kids in Crisis, Neighbor to Neighbor and founded Greenwich's Chapter of the National Charity League for mother's and daughter's.

Q: What are two of your favorite things about Greenwich?

A: Greenwich is a unique and beautiful town. As an engaged parent in the community I'm in constant contact with the parents in our town who believe in academic excellence, safety and intelligent financial solutions for a well managed community. I enjoy the sophisticated, small town culture and believe that collaboration is necessary to make sound fiscal decisions for the benefit of all Greenwich residents.

Q: What professional, volunteer, or public service accomplishment in the last 12 months are you most proud of and why?

A: I believe volunteerism is important to show our children that giving your time, talent and treasure is a way of loving others. I'm the founding President of National Charity League's, Greenwich Chapter and I'm seeking a seat of the BET to assist our beautiful town of Greenwich in the accounting, data and analysis of the budget with full transparency for all.

Q: What are one or two pressing challenges of the upcoming term and how would you approach them?

A: A key challenge will be maintaining Greenwich's financial strength while addressing necessary capital investments, such as schools, AI in the curriculum and modernizing the infrastructure. I will approach this by prioritizing community needs, improving our planning, and ensuring projects are managed efficiently. Another challenge is preserving our quality of life while keeping taxes predictable. I believe in disciplined budgeting, long-term planning, and working across the aisle to find practical solutions to avoid wasting time and money.

Q: How do you plan to serve your constituents who didn't support you in decisions that affect our town and their lives?

A: Public service means representing everyone, not just those who supported me. I will continue to listen respectfully, seek input from all residents, and explain the reasoning behind decisions. While not every decision will please everyone, I believe in open communication, fairness, and focusing on what is best for Greenwich as a whole. My goal is to earn the trust of all residents by approaching issues with respect, integrity, and a commitment to finding common ground. I listen to everyone and feel it's my duty to be a voice for the community at large.

Q: In April, the Board of Estimate and Taxation (BET) voted to reduce the Greenwich Public Schools budget by approximately \$4 million. This reduction allowed GPS to increase its budget year over year by 3% (vs 5%). [Minutes of the FY 2025-2026 Budget Decision Day Three (3) Meeting of the BET held April 4, 2025]. What is your position on this decision?

A: I believe it's critical to review what is in the best interest of the children and families. This is a time when families are facing higher costs and it is important to provide a meaningful increase while still protecting affordability. The Board remains committed to funding excellent schools, but also to ensuring spending is sustainable and prioritized prudently to avoid frivolous waste.