

## **Queens Borough President**

**Peter F. Vallone Jr. (D)**

Hi, I'm Councilmember Peter F. Vallone Jr. and I'm running for Queens Borough President. I am running because Queens needs someone who will protect what matters — our families, our streets, our homes, our businesses and our kids' education. For 12 years, I have had the honor to serve in the New York City Council as the head of Public Safety Committee. I've worked with Ray Kelly to cut crime by 35%. I've also worked tirelessly to pass tough laws on graffiti vandals, sex offenders and gun traffickers. I'm the ONLY candidate with ANY experience protecting the people of Queens.

As a homeowner myself, I also know it gets tougher every year to own a home in Queens. That's why I was one of the only city council members who voted against the last property tax increase and have led the fight against water rate increases.

I'm also the only small business owner in the primary. Our small businesses in Queens are the backbone of the borough, especially in our new immigrant communities, which is why I worked to reduce unnecessary regulations so they can continue to thrive and drive our economy. To create jobs and help business, you need to first UNDERSTAND business, and I've been fighting for our hard working business people my whole career, NOT just during an election.

And last but definitely not least, as the father of two teenage girls who went to Queens public schools, I know the importance of a safe learning environment and a good education. I wrote the law to put security cameras in schools and sponsored legislation to allow our kids to carry cells phones to and from school to ensure their safety. I have fought for and saved our Gifted and Talented programs, and as a parent, I will fight for more parental input — we won't continue to be ignored.

Queens needs an advocate who has an actual record of fighting for you. Google it. The 9 day blackout, the snowstorm without plows, fighting for our Rockaway residents to get them protection right NOW from the next storm — who has been there taking on Con Ed, the speaker and the mayor — and getting results. Queens deserves a borough president who stands with us on all on these issues and more. And I would be honored to have your vote. You can learn more about me at [Petervallone.com](http://Petervallone.com), and oh, and let's keep it the Queensboro bridge. God bless.

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