

## Linda A. Kabot

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## Dear Editor:

Elections are about CHOICE and Elections are about ISSUES. I am honored to offer a choice to the voters for the position of Suffolk County Legislator. The incumbent Legislator and I agree on a number of issues, but we also disagree on certain policy matters.

I offer voters my strength of character and nearly 14 years of local government experience at the executive and legislative level in Southampton Town. As former Southampton Town Supervisor and Councilwoman, I worked hard to protect the interests of taxpayers and to foster the ideals of good government in all decision-making. I am proud of the accomplishments and groundwork laid under my prior leadership and I believe that I have earned a reputation for being honest, fair, meticulous, hardworking, results-oriented, reform-minded and independent.

I have demonstrated time and time again that I bring common sense and principled leadership to the table, with a proven track record in reaching across the aisle to work with others for the common good, regardless of political affiliation.

There are many challenges that face us regionally – affordable housing, water quality, economic development, transportation, public safety, and continued environmental protection. However, at this time in particular, Fiscal Responsibility is the #1 issue. We need representation that puts people and fiscal solvency first, not partisan politics. Suffolk County government is at a crossroads and the situation is dire. We have never been closer to the margin than we are now. We are at Junk Bond Status. The NYS Comptroller has ranked Suffolk as the most financially stressed county in the state. We need to restore fiscal sanity, and force the county to live within its means. Suffolk County has a \$3 Billion Operating Budget, and is broke, so broke that it borrows millions of dollars to pay for day-to-day operating expenses.

Moreover, Suffolk County has also raided over \$171 Million from clean water funds to pay for day-to-day operating expenses, which has been ruled ILLEGAL by a state appellate court. Raiding of environmental funds should be reason enough for any environmentally conscious voter to NOT vote for the incumbent County Executive and Rubberstamp Legislators who have allowed this to happen.

We need to elect community servants at the county level who are not afraid to make the hard choices to cut spending, reduce accumulated debt, and eliminate operating deficits. Difficult times require difficult decisions and elected officials who have the fortitude to stand up for the taxpayers to pull Suffolk County back from the brink of financial disaster.

I invite you to explore my viewpoints on my campaign website: LindaKabotForSuffolk.com. I would be honored to earn your vote of confidence on Election Day, November 5.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda A. Kabot, Candidate for Suffolk County Legislator, Legislative District #2

Linda Kabot is the designated candidate for the Office of Suffolk County Legislator for the 2<sup>nd</sup>
Legislative District on the Republican, Conservative and Libertarian lines for the November 5 General
Election ballot. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Legislative District includes the Towns of Shelter Island, East Hampton,
Southampton and a portion of the Town of Brookhaven.