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### **1. Julie Castillo-Flores, 18**

- Lifelong Red Bank resident
- Julie is a student at Monmouth University and former president of the RBR Dreamers Club.
- “For many years, I have seen the way politics excludes many of our neighbors, friend’s and communities. I have seen that politics can divide a community – but can also unite a community. I will take action to bring accessibility and trust to the Red Bank Democratic party.

### **2. Francis A. Calabrese, 30**

- Lifetime Red Bank resident
- Stagehand at the Count Basie Theatre for 12 years
- “Representing this wonderful town on the county committee is incredibly important in making sure that as our town grows, each and every voice that lives here is heard.”

### **Kate Triggiano, 33**

- Red Bank resident for 9 years
- Mom, volunteer firefighter with the Rbfd, Two-term councilwoman, community organizer
- “I pride myself on being a resource for all my neighbors as a county committee-woman and sharing how to get and be involved, inviting new people into the Democratic Party, and disseminating important information such as voter registration deadlines, election information and more. Connecting my neighbors to the issues and hearing their concerns and priorities is my top priority. Democratic County Committee people should serve as beacons in their community on these issues and more. I love to serve

my neighborhood in this capacity and am excited that people who care equally about the responsibilities of the County Committee are running for these seats in Red bank.

### **3. Ryan Devaney, 35**

- Registered Nurse
- 10 year resident of Red Bank
- I didn't really understand the impact of this elected position (Municipal Committee) because those that currently hold the position haven't been actively visible in the community they represent. Many local Democrats think that the best we can do is to elect Ds over Rs in general elections. I'm running to represent residents in my district that want to engage more, and be more active voices in town.

### **4. Lesley Martin, 35**

- Educator
- Red Bank resident for 20 years
- "As a long-standing resident of Red Bank, the affection I feel for this town is familial. As a mother and an environmentalist, it is important to me to expand our concept of family to better represent our children, the continued activation of our green spaces and a reverence and preservation for the watershed in which we live."

### **5. Paul Savoia, 35**

- School district student data manager
- Red Bank Resident for 9 years
- "It is important to represent the residents of Red Bank because we have a diverse and growing community that is unique in Monmouth County."

### **6. Kristina Bonatakis, 36**

- Red Bank resident for 11 years
- Kristina has served on the Environmental Commission since 2018 and Planning Board since 2020. A Rutgers alumna, she leads customer operations for a New Jersey HR technology company. Her candidacy reflects a commitment to forging a sustainable future for Red Bank, incorporating new voices and ideas.

### **7. Frank Corrado, 38**

- Financial Life Guide
- Red Bank resident for 10 years
- "Building a community that I want to live and raise my family in is very important to me. Red Bank has been the place we've called home for about a decade now and strengthening our community has never been more important. There is currently a fight for the soul of Red Bank and it's being fought on a few different fronts. I am running to clear out the "party machine", top-down selection process and add accountability to our local leaders. In the past, I have served on the Red Bank Environmental Commission as well as a board member for a national non-profit. I am an independent thinker and hope to lean on my professional and personal experiences to better grow and build the community in Red Bank. "

### **8. Boris Kofman, 58**

- Software engineer

- Red Bank resident for 32 years
- “My neighbors need a voice to represent their views in the local Democratic Party. I am Shade Tree Commission Secretary, Former Environmental Commission member, and RB Borough Education Foundation webmaster, Library volunteer.”

#### **9. Benedict Forest, 59**

- Red Bank resident & homeowner since 1996
- A father, Red Bank Borough Board of Education first elected in 2004, Commissioner on the Red Bank Charter Study Commission elected in 2021, Serving on Red Bank RiverCenter as Mayor’s representative, Longtime New Jersey & Red Bank community activist, Board member of Clean Water Action of NJ
- Business owner (Computer support)
- “I love living in a small town. I’m ok making (sometimes tough) decisions based on data and what is just; ruffling feathers is OK. I want all voices to be heard. Proud to be an active Democrat.”

#### **10. Nancy Facey-Blackwood, 60**

- Red Bank resident 6 years
- Experienced Telecommunications Systems Engineer/Analyst
- Problem Solver – Learns quickly
- Red Bank Charter Study Commission Nov 2021-Pres (Chair)
- Red Bank Environmental Commission since 2017 (chair since 2019)
- Board of Governance Secretary of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Monmouth County (UUCMC) (2021-Pres)
- Former Council Secretary of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Monmouth County (UUCMC) (2018-2021)
- Attends most borough meetings to keep abreast of what is happening in the borough.
- “Why am I running for County Committee? The Democratic party is a Big Tent Party. I would like to help the local party to be more open and inclusive; to understand what residents in our district would like from the party. I will engage in regular outreach to my neighbors.”

#### **11. Laura T Jannone EdD, RN, CSN-NJ FNASN, 66**

- Red Bank resident for 22 years
- Retired after 21 years from Monmouth University as an Associate Professor in the School of Nursing and Health Studies and Coordinator of the School Nurse Program that I opened in 2000. Currently Manager of COVID Outreach Visiting Nurses Association Central Jersey - Community Health Center, Monmouth County also Owner & Coach of an Ideal Protein Weight Loss Clinic
- Standards & Practice Chair, New Jersey State School Nurses Association (NJSSNA), Trustee of WAGE (Women & Girls Education), County Liaison Monmouth County School Nurses association (MCSNA)
- “I think protocols should be followed in the election process in Red Bank and things should be more transparent.”

#### **12. Bob Morrow, 67**

- After retiring from Morgan State University as a professor of U.S. history, Bob moved to Red Bank three years ago. He is running for Democratic Committee because Red Bank politics need to again be progressive, fair, and rational.

#### **13. Wilson H Beebe Jr, 67**

- Red Bank resident for 15 years
- Wilson hopes to help foster a new professionalism in the governance and administration of the borough. Now retired, Wilson was a government relations and economic development executive, most recently serving as a director with the National Consumer Cooperative Bank, and Capital Impact Partners (a national community development financial institution).

#### **14. Suellen Sims, 75**

- Red Bank for more than 50 years
- Suellen raised my three children in our house on Madison Avenue and sent all three to Red Bank Public Schools. She spent her entire professional career as a social worker, specializing in working with people with disabilities; in 1996 she started Waters & Sims Employment Services, an employment agency for people with disabilities and people receiving Public Assistance.
- The Greater Red Bank Women's Initiative began in her living room shortly after the 2016 presidential election and has been a catalyst for grass roots community activism and political engagement ever since. Suellen is co chair of the Outreach Committee at my church, providing funding for nonprofits like Lunch Break, the Parker Family Center and Habcore. She has volunteered at the Red Bank Public Library as a leader of The Friends of the Library.
- “For all its flaws, I love Red Bank and the beauty of its diverse citizenry. I believe in the value and necessity of true community in our public life and want to do what I can to help our beloved town become a "shining city on a river". “

#### **15. Kathy Horgan, 76**

- Administrator at amfAR, The Foundation for AIDS Research, New York City
- Red Bank resident for 23 years
- Councilwoman 15 years, Zoning Board 2 years, Red Bank Borough Education Foundation 15 years (was Founding President in 2007 and served 2 years as President.), Human Relations Advisory Committee (before I was elected to Council) 3 years
- I've been a Red Bank resident for 23 years and Red Bank is where I plan to spend the rest of my life. I want my municipal government to be run for the benefit of all its residents with transparency, integrity, and efficiency -- not to benefit the political aspirations of a few.

#### **16. Tim Zebo, 79**

- Red Bank resident for 33 years
- Retired electronics and systems engineer at Bell Laboratories and subsequent companies where I received five patents.
- Former Treasurer of Lincroft Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Monmouth County, and Former Board Member of Red Bank Humanists.
- As a dad and granddad, I'm both hopeful and worried about their futures. We're now living in an era with huge challenges like reversing climate change, restoring trust in government, and working hard to eliminate poverty and homelessness.
- To cope, we'll need strong leaders who value critical thinking, science-based reasoning, and especially transparency in government which several neighbors told me they'd like to see more of.
- My purpose in running is to serve as a bridge between my neighbors and our local Red Bank Council and County Government.

#### **17. Anne A. Davis, 82**

- IT consultant, retired
- Red Bank resident for 24 years.
- Anne represents her Red Bank neighbors who value honesty, civility, competence, transparency, order and effective local government.