

January 20, 1986

Dear V.I.D. member,

*Herman & Sophie*  
It is a bittersweet note I send you. As you may have already heard, effective January 21, I will assume the position of Executive Deputy Commissioner of the New York State Division of Human Rights. Because of this appointment, I must resign as your district leader.

While I am excited about my new job and the possibilities it offers to play an important role in protecting human rights and serving the people of New York, it is with great sadness that I resign.

Being District Leader has enriched my life immensely. What I learned in the community and what VID taught me has made it possible for me to take this extra step. I am grateful for being given the opportunity to represent VID and to serve such a dynamic constituency as the Village. I feel fortunate to have made lasting friendships and honored to have worked with so many principled, dedicated, energetic, and talented people.

My resignation does not end my role, my interest, or my affection for VID. Though you will see me at meetings, at rallies speaking out on issues that are of concern to all of us, I wanted to take this opportunity to share this personal message with you.

Thank you for your continued support and encouragement.

With warm regards,

*Catherine M. Abate*

Catherine M. Abate

Feb,1986

DEAR FRIEND:

I am running for Female District Leader in Greenwich Village. As you know, Catherine Abate has been appointed Executive Deputy Commissioner of the New York State Division of Human Rights. I am seeking your support based upon my proven record of preserving and enhancing the Village's progressive, activist, and diverse character and furthering the goals the Village Independent Democrats has traditionally fought for.

As Chairperson of the VID Community Affairs Committee, I am actively organizing the community to advocate and implement constructive and comprehensive solutions to the displacement of small business and artists, overdevelopment and gentrification, excess noise and crime, and encroachments on the civil liberties of lesbians and gays, women, and minorities. I have also served as VID Deputy Campaign Chairperson during the 1985 election and as VID Student/Youth Co-Chairperson. As Vice-President of VID, I have begun to explore ways of obtaining needed services in the Village community (for example, day care, health care, and affordable housing).

I am a graduate of New York Law School and am a Legal Services lawyer representing indigent tenants. As my attached resume will indicate, I have always been an activist on human rights issues. I have engaged in grassroot tenant organizing, served as an intern for the Congressional Clearinghouse on Women's Rights on Capitol Hill, successfully advocated for students' rights, and volunteered for community work in the West Indies.

I look forward to sharing with each of you my vision of the Village's future and my program for effecting essential improvements in our community. You are cordially invited to attend an Open House reception at Florence and Bill Van Felix's home at 268 Bleecker Street on Wednesday, March 5 at 8:00 p.m.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

*Sherri Donovan*  
Sherri Donovan

\* Some of the people who are supporting me are listed on the reverse side -->

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CONTACT: SHERRI DONOVAN  
(212) 242-2845

DONOVAN ANNOUNCES RUN FOR VILLAGE DISTRICT SEAT  
SAYS "COMMUNITY THREATENED BY DEVELOPMENT AND RIGHTS ABUSES"

NEW YORK, N.Y. Traditionally one of the most progressive, dynamic, and community-minded neighborhoods in New York, the Village, today is being threatened on every border by overdevelopment and gentrification, and the abuse of its citizens' basic civil rights", a legal services attorney stated in announcing her candidacy for the 61st Assembly District (Part A) seat. On March 26 the County Committee people of the District will vote for a new Female District Leader to replace Catherine Abate who has recently been appointed Executive Deputy Commissioner of the New York State Division of Human Rights. On March 19 the Village Independent Democrats will endorse its candidate for the position.

Sherri Donovan, community affairs co-chairperson and Vice-President of the Village Independent Democrats(VID), noted "I am running to preserve the uniqueness and diversity of our community, and contribute to the dialogue which can create solutions to problems facing all New Yorkers."

"In addition to the threat of becoming a golden playground for real estate speculators, we are daily subjected to abuses of the soul. Lesbians and gays, minorities, and women are being threatened on basic human rights issues," she continued.

"Just as I have advocated for education, health care, and housing programs for abused tenants, I also recognize the process that denies democratic participation to many sectors of our society," she said.

A Board member of the Coalition for Fair Business Rents, former law clerk to the Honorable Mary Johnson Lowe, member of the Citizens Committee for Congressman Ted Weiss, Cooper Square Community Development Committee, and on the Steering Committee of Save the Village; Ms. Donovan has also recently testified before the Landmarks Preservation Commission and the Small Business Commission.

ALL PRESS INTERESTED IN MEETING MS. DONOVAN ARE INVITED TO A CAMPAIGN OPEN HOUSE AT THE HOME OF BILL AND FLORENCE VAN FELIX, (268 Bleecker) ON WEDNESDAY MARCH 5 AT 8:00 P.M.

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Dear Friend,

We are supporting Sherri Donovan for re-election as Democratic Party District Leader in Greenwich Village because of her deep commitment to human rights and the problems of Soviet Jewry in particular.

Sherri, a Jewish woman, whose relatives had suffered in pogroms, learned at an early age the plight of Soviet Jews. Through her three trips to Israel and her volunteer work on Kibbutz Hogoshrim, she has gained first hand knowledge about the Mid Eastern situation. As District Leader, she, together with the Village Independent Democrats, has called and worked for the freedom of Soviet Jews and the protection of human rights in all countries. This includes an end to apartheid in South Africa and equal opportunity for all people regardless of age, race, gender or sexual orientation.

Sherri's hard work has earned her the endorsement of Governor Mario Cuomo, Congressman Ted Weiss, State Senators Manfred Orenstein and Franz Leichter, Borough President David Dinkins, Councilwoman Ruth Messinger, as well as many other community leaders.

We feel very proud to have someone with Sherri's concern and integrity as Democratic District Leader in Greenwich Village.

We urge you to re-elect Sherri Donovan on Tuesday, September 9th.

Sincerely,

Seymour Katz  
Co-Chair, Coalition of Soviet Jewry

Arthur Strickler  
Chairperson of the Board of Trustees,  
Congregation Beth Simchat Torah

# Heated Battle For Village Leadership

By Steve Ryan

There is a heated political battle going on in Greenwich Village between Mayor Koch's old club, the Village Independent Democrats (V.I.D.) and his new club, the Village Reform Democratic Club (V.R.D.C.). The main combatants are Sherri Donovan and Liz Shollenberger, who are running for West Side district leader.

*"While they were working for Koch, I was working hard to beat Koch."*

Shollenberger, who is president of V.R.D.C., is challenging the incumbent Donovan of V.I.D. in this week's primary.

The charges levied by the two candidates are unusually contentious. The balance of power in the Village is at stake in this election.

Shollenberger said of her opponent: "She's a carpetbagger, someone who has no set of accomplishments to talk about... She didn't bother to vote in the 1985 primary. She didn't even vote in the 1982 primary. If she's so concerned about Koch, how come she didn't vote? And this woman wants to continue to be district leader?"

Donovan said her opponent's personal attacks are a cover for avoiding the issues in the campaign. "The concerns for the Village is the issues. Who's going to stop the threat of large developers? My opponent has been silent on the NYU [housing] problem, on the homeport [of nuclear weapons] and the rail line issue," she said.



Liz Shollenberger

On the issue of her voting record, Donovan said, "While they were working for Koch, I was working hard to beat Koch. The polls would be closed by the time I got off work."

She added, "My opponent cannot meet my criteria because she's the president of the Mayor's club which continues to support and endorse him. The question for the Village is: How can you continue to be for affordable housing, commercial rent protection, the empowerment of women and equity and continue to endorse Ed Koch?"

Tim James, V.R.D.C.'s vice-president for political affairs, said that Donovan is a manifestation of everyone we've complained about." James is a former V.I.D. member who teamed up with 19 others in 1983 to form V.R.D.C. A number of grievances within V.I.D. led to the new pro-Koch

Among these grievances, James said many V.I.D. members were not re-elected to the Village.

tradition that a representative of an area live in that area," James said. He added that Donovan was a Brooklyn resident when she first started with V.I.D.

Donovan has been with the club for two



Sherri Donovan

years, first as director of the student-outreach program, then as deputy campaign member. In December, 1985, she became a club vice-president.

When Catherine Abate, the West Side district leader from 1982 to 1985, landed a state post, Donovan moved into the Village and was appointed to replace her in March, 1986. James said it was "one of the great political fictions of all time when Donovan sent a letter and resume to V.I.D. saying she had a proven record as a political leader in the Village."

James said that if Shollenberger wins, the aura of invisibility surrounding V.I.D. will be over. "The reputation of the V.I.D. leadership is that they are vengeful," he said. "If you cross them they will get you. They enjoy that reputation. There is a fear of V.I.D. up and down the West Side.

"If Shollenberger wins, what the Village will have is two very competitive clubs. We will not destroy V.I.D. It will remain as the other official club in the Village."

*"She's a carpetbagger, someone who has no set of accomplishments to talk about."*

Donovan sees it differently. "If Shollenberger wins, we'll see Koch controlling the Village again. We won't have a leader who'll stand up to the large real estate interests."

She added, "people vote for us year after year. Their (V.R.D.C.) whole purpose is to attack V.I.D. But we'll never let the Mayor control the Village."

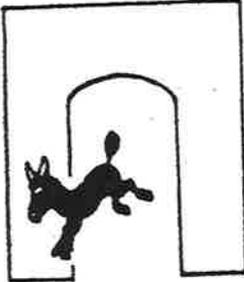
## Koch's Old Political Club Demands His Resignation

The organization that launched Edward Irving Koch's political career is now demanding his resignation. The Village Independent Democrats (V.I.D.), the largest independent reform club in the city which Koch helped establish in the early sixties, passed a resolution in mid-July calling for Koch's resignation as Mayor.

"The Koch administration is robbing the city of what makes New York—the culture, arts and low and middle-income people. Koch is killing the city," said V.I.D. leader Sherri Donovan, who is West Side district manager.

Koch was the first elected official of V.I.D. In 1963 he defeated the most visible symbol of the political establishment, district leader Carmine G. De Sapio. Since 1981, when he left the club, Koch's relations with V.I.D. have been

VILLAGE **INDEPENDENT** DEMOCRATS



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To the Villager: Sound - Off Column,

Although I do not think it is fair to insult the intelligence of the Village community by engaging in petty battles, I feel it is imperative to set the record straight and respond to the attack by a VRDC member on my commitment to the protection of human rights and the Soviet Jewry question in particular.

As a Jew whose relatives are from East European pogroms, I was taught at an early age the plight of the Soviet Jews. I grew up listening to the stories of my Uncle who met with the Jewish underground in Russia and offered American Jewish support. I have been to Israel on three separate occasions and have worked on Kibbutz Hagoshrim as a volunteer. I was not at the Soviet Jewery March <sup>on May</sup> 1, 1986 because I was visiting my mother, whom I rarely get to see, in Atlanta for Mother's Day. I hope in the future that one's dedication is judged by the deeds one commits in a lifetime and not by a singular appearance.

I once again pledge my full support to the Village Independent Democrats' resolution calling for the freedom of the Soviet Jews and the protection of human rights in all countries regardless of their ideologies and economic systems.

Sincerely,

*Sherri Donovan*  
Sherri Donovan  
District Leader



**VILLAGE INDEPENDENT  
DEMOCRATS**

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**TED WEISS**  
for Congress  
**SHERRI DONOVAN**  
for District Leader  
**MARGARET CHIN**  
for State Committeewoman

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An important message from:  
Fred Ohrenstein  
Bill Passannante  
Miriam Friedlander  
David Rothenberg

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September, 1986

Dear Friends,

On Primary Day, we urge you to vote for three outstanding leaders—**Ted Weiss** for Congress, **Sherri Donovan** for District Leader and **Margaret Chin** for State Committeewoman.

**Ted Weiss has fought effectively for human rights and economic justice.** He led the fight in Congress against Westway. He has worked for funding for education and the arts, for a woman's right to choose, for Soviet Jewry, for Israel's defense, for nuclear arms control, for AIDS funding, for lesbian and gay rights, and for Social Security and Medicaid benefits. He has steadfastly opposed apartheid, aid to the Contras and wasteful weapons systems. He is also leading the fight against the Navy's plan to deploy nuclear weapons in New York Harbor.

Ted Weiss' re-election is vital because his well-financed opponent supports Star Wars, aid to the Contras and virtually every Reagan military policy position.

**The Democratic Party needs community activists like Sherri Donovan and Margaret Chin.**

Incumbent District Leader Sherri Donovan is a leading participant in Save the Village, which is fighting to protect the waterfront, downzone the Village and extend the Historic District. She is opposing NYU's huge dormitories on Third Avenue, and is a Citywide organizer in support of commercial rent control. Sherri Donovan is a legal services attorney who has fought against the displacement of low and moderate income tenants.

State Committee candidate Margaret Chin is President of Asian Americans for Equality, which is dedicated to meeting the needs of senior citizens, tenants and minorities. She initiated the historic lawsuit against the City which decreed that affordable housing is an essential human right. Margaret Chin also assisted in the creation of an innovative daycare/afterschool program in Chinatown and the Lower East Side. She is a member of Community Board 3.

Margaret Chin and Sherri Donovan are working vigorously on behalf of lesbian and gay rights, a nuclear free harbor and an end to apartheid.

**Ted Weiss, Sherri Donovan and Margaret Chin are the candidates of the Village Independent Democrats,** and are running as the reform ticket in the 61st Assembly District. We urge you to vote for them on September 9th.

**Manfred Ohrenstein**  
**State Senator**

**William F. Passannante**  
**Assembly Member**

**Miriam Friedlander**  
**Council Member**

**David Rothenberg**  
**State Committeeman**

ARLENE LOWELL  
82 Washington Place  
New York, New York 10011  
September 5, 1986

Dear Neighbors,

Last year, you honored me <sup>by</sup> giving me the most votes of anyone running for County Committee in the 27th Election District, an area between Washington Square Park and Sixth Avenue from West Third Street to West Eighth Street. For that I thank you. I shall continue to try to live up to the trust you have placed in me, as I think I did on December 27, 1985, when I discovered and confiscated some drugs secreted outside of 33 Washington Square West, while walking my dog in the late evening. Fortunately, the police responded to my call for help before the drug dealer was able to hurt us.

We at Village Independent Democrats believe in acting on our convictions, and Sherri Donovan has been in the forefront, trying to make our neighborhood a better place to live in. I am appalled by some of the mailings I have received or seen, especially one from our Councilwoman, Carol Greitzer. I trusted her; I signed her petition last year with a valid signature, even though my Club did not endorse her. I shall not claim that she lied, merely that she is quite ill-informed, or that her memory of recent events is faulty.

A few weeks ago, a suit was brought against District Leader Sherri Donovan, alleging that she was not living on West Fourth Street. The suit against Sherri Donovan was withdrawn by Liz Shollenberger's attorney. The suit against Margaret Chin, our candidate for State Committeewoman, was dismissed by the Judge, based upon a Court-appointed Referree's report stating that Margaret Chin is legally registered to vote in the 61st Assembly District and based upon significant community political and familial ties with the 61st Assembly District.

As for the "Rock around the clock" mailing sent from 60 East 9th Street, #533 -- who sent it? it bears no name -- that is full of twisted words and innuendos. Sherri upholds the Park Department regulation on closing time in our park. (It's "official," not "offical." Perhaps the typesetter goofed?)

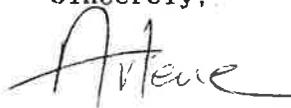
Sherri believes, as do I, that there are better ways of dealing with the drug problem than by indulging empty, noisy actions. (For a couple of weeks I joined in the demonstrations. I found they evoked in me emotions that were destructive. There are far more productive ways to fight the problem.) We, at VID, fear that because many of the dealers are non-White, the legitimate application of the laws against the possession or sale of drugs could turn into ugly, racist incidents. We must guard against this, just as we must insist that we, the residents of Greenwich Village, have our quiet, peaceful, diverse neighborhood back.

I have no idea where the writer of the "Rock" piece got his/her idea of Sherri's views on radio playing. It must have been in a terrible nightmare.

One of Sherri's deepest concerns is the plight of the homeless. This problem, which grows each day, is caused in large measure by the "gentrification" of low rent buildings by greedy "developers." This must be stopped! It has hit the poor, the old, those on fixed incomes, and those who, until recently, could barely earn enough to keep a roof over their heads. Be vigilant. We could be next. There are several solutions to the problem -- rehabilitation of in rem buildings, instead of selling them to the highest bidder; decent, temporary housing for the homeless, instead of notorious "welfare hotels" or mass, unsafe shelters; a welfare system true to the original idea of giving people a helping hand to get them on their own two feet, instead of a system that prevents people from seeking to better themselves. These are ideas Sherri espouses. A park is no fit place for people to live in.

I urge you to vote on Tuesday, but before you do, please THINK, and watch the Donovan-Shollenberger debate on Channel L on Monday at 8:00 P.M. Join with the unbossed, independent Village Independent Democrats to make our city and our community a better place!

Sincerely,



Re-Elect Sherri Donovan for District Leader  
Vote in the Democratic Primary, September 9, 1986

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**SHERRI DONOVAN**  
District Leader  
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The Village Independent Democrats  
224 West 4th Street  
New York, New York 10014  
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The Village Independent Democrats (VID) has been fighting for nearly three decades to preserve the active, independent and progressive character of our community.

Bruce Feffer, Campaign Chair  
Victoria Contino, Deputy Chair

Richard F. Braun, President,  
Sherri Donovan/Anthony S. Hoffmann, Democratic District Leaders

**Sherri Donovan**  
is Endorsed by VID and...

- Ted Weiss, Congressman 17th C.D.
- David Dinkins, Manhattan Borough President
- Manfred Ohrenstein, State Senator
- Franz Leichter, State Senator
- William Passannante, Assemblyman
- Miriam Friedlander, City Councilmember
- Ruth Messinger, City Councilmember
- Frank Barbaro, Assemblyman
- Herman Denny Farrell, Assemblyman
- Anthony S. Hoffmann, District Leader, 61st A.D. Part A.
- David Rothenberg, State Committeeman, 61st A.D.

- Catherine Abate, Executive Deputy Commissioner, NYS Human Rights Division\*, Former District Leader
- Dean Corren, Co-Chairperson, Third Avenue Tenant's Association\*
- Tom De Luca, Former Director, Mobilization for Survival\*
- Joe Erazo, human rights activist Gay/Lesbian Independent Democrats
- Rev. Dwight Hopkins
- Andy Humm, Coalition for Lesbian and Gay Rights\*
- Dr. Michio Kaku, Physicist, City College\*
- Seymour Katz, Vice-Chairperson, Coalition of Soviet Jewry\*
- Doris Koo, Executive Director, Asian Americans for Equality\*
- Sam Meyers, UAW, Local 259 New Democratic Coalition, New York County
- Bill Nuchow, IBT Local 840
- Steve Null, President, Coalition for Fair Business Rents\*
- Allen Roskoff, Former President, NYS Americans for Democratic Action\*
- Arthur Strickler, Congregation Beth Simchat Torah\*

\*for identification purposes only



District Leaders Tony Hoffmann and Sherri Donovan

"Sherri Donovan has been a strong force in the fight for affordable housing and commercial rent protection."  
COUNCILMEMBER  
MIRIAM FRIEDLANDER

"Sherri Donovan has the energy, commitment and intelligence to be the type of District Leader that the Village community needs and deserves."  
CONGRESSMAN TED WEISS

ALONG WITH SHERRI DONOVAN, VID SUPPORTS:

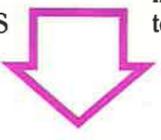


**MARGARET CHIN** & **DAVID ROTHENBERG**  
for State Committeewoman—61st A.D.

Margaret Chin is President of Asian Americans for Equality, an organization dedicated to the rights and needs of tenants, senior citizens and minorities. Margaret organized tenants and lawyers to bring a historic lawsuit against the City of New York (AAFE v. Koch) based on the right of all people to affordable housing. She has helped obtain the conversion of two abandoned buildings into housing for homeless families and seniors. She worked with other parents to establish an innovative daycare/after school program in the Chinatown/Lower East Side community.

Margaret believes that members of the State Committee should be accessible to all Democrats in the district, be advocates of the various needs of our diverse community, endorse candidates who are genuinely concerned about people, and in that spirit, help the Democratic party to develop a progressive program.

David Rothenberg is a long time peace and civil rights activist, a national spokesperson on criminal justice issues, and a fighter for neighborhood preservation and affordable housing. He has been a leading activist for the rights of gays and lesbians. As Executive Director of the Fortune Society for 18 years, he has helped thousands of youths and ex-offenders become productive citizens. During his historic campaign for the City Council in 1985, the Daily News described Rothenberg as, "bursting with energy, intelligence and commitment." As State Committeeman, Rothenberg will be an ardent spokesperson for human rights.



# The Village needs someone who will! SHERRI DONOVAN CAN!

## HOUSING AND RUNAWAY DEVELOPMENT

Sherri Donovan is a legal services, tenants attorney.

Sherri has served as a tenant's organizer.

Sherri is a member of the Steering Committee of Save the Village and has been active in their fight against the Memphis Downtown high rise.

Sherri is a vigorous opponent of NYU's oversized dormitories, Westway and the proposed light rail line.

Sherri is a proponent of down-zoning, protecting the waterfront and expanding the historical district in the Village.

Sherri WILL protect the Village from overdevelopment and she will fight for affordable housing.

**SHERRI DONOVAN CAN!**



## PEACE AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Sherri Donovan is a member of the Gay/Lesbian Independent Democrats and the Coalition for Lesbian and Gay Rights.

Sherri has lobbied for the Gay Rights Bill and for greater funding for AIDS education and research.

Sherri has served as an intern at the Congressional Clearinghouse on Women's Rights.

Sherri has been an activist for pay equity and the ERA.

Sherri is an outspoken critic of the raids and civil rights abuses by the police against the Italian community in the Village.

Sherri has been deeply committed to the cause of freeing Soviet Jews and ending apartheid in South Africa.

Sherri has been a forceful opponent of the Homeport and a strong advocate for the transfer of wasteful military funds to needed social programs.

Sherri WILL continue to fight for the empowerment of the disenfranchised.

**SHERRI DONOVAN CAN!**

## PROTECTING SMALL BUSINESS AND ARTISTS

Sherri Donovan has been a citywide spokesperson and organizer for commercial rent protection.

Sherri is a Board Member and Legal Counsel for the Coalition for Fair Business Rents.

Sherri has testified on behalf of Village store keepers at the Mayor's Small Business Commission.

Sherri has spearheaded the petition drive for a moratorium on commercial rent increases.

Sherri WILL continue to fight to preserve small business and cultural diversity which enrich Village life.

**SHERRI DONOVAN CAN!**



## YOUTH AND EDUCATION

Sherri Donovan has supported and campaigned for Cindy Fine and the P.A.C.T. school board slate to increase community and parent participation in our school system.

Sherri has been actively involved in the fight to effectively improve our parks.

Sherri has served as Chairperson of the Student Outreach Committee of the VID and as Coordinator of the Coalition of Democratic Progressive Youth.

Sherri WILL always keep the needs of our youth and their education on the forefront of her agenda.

**SHERRI DONOVAN CAN!**

**Sherri Donovan represents progressive, independent leadership. Sherri has been an outspoken critic of Koch administration policies and has called for his resignation.**

**Sherri Donovan's opponent has continued to endorse Ed Koch. She should... she's the President of his club.**

**YES! WE CAN BEAT CITY HALL! VOTE SEPT 9TH**

Ted Weiss, Mario Cuomo, David Rothenberg,  
Miriam Friedlander, David Dinkins,  
Manfred Ohrenstein, and Bill Passannante  
all say . . .

**KEEP THE VILLAGE INDEPENDENT!**

**TED WEISS,** CONGRESS (15TH C.D.)  
**SHERRI DONOVAN,** DISTRICT LEADER  
**MARGARET CHIN,** STATE COMMITTEEWOMAN



Margaret Chin, Ted Weiss, and Sherri Donovan

**VOTE, TUESDAY, SEPT. 9, PRIMARY DAY**

Polls open 6 a.m. – 9 p.m.

You may take this into the voting booth with you

**Delegates**

Kathryn E. Freed  
Klaus V. Stutterheim  
Stephanie Rogall  
Paul D. Goldstein  
Bruce M. Feffer  
Lawrence C. Moss  
Carolruth Feinman  
Catherine V. Collins  
Geoffrey D. Smith  
Victoria M. Contino  
Mary Ellen Cronly

**Alternates**

Terence M. Sullivan  
Walter Rubin  
James A. Stratton  
Arthur W. Strickler  
Linda M. Belfer  
Arlene Lowell  
Lora Tenenbaum  
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**Vote for  
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## **KEEP THE VILLAGE INDEPENDENT! FIGHT CITY HALL CORRUPTION! ELECT SHERRI DONOVAN & MARGARET CHIN!**

Here's the *real* story about the races for district leader and state committee:

***"Finally facing up to the patronage and power plays that have marked his administration, Ed Koch has decided to review hiring practices. . . Perhaps the mayor should begin by examining his own home base, the Village Reform Democratic Club (VRDC). . . VRDC members are dependably loyal to City Hall. Some VRDC members not only campaign for the mayor but work for him as well."***

—All in the VRDC Family  
Village Voice, Maria Laurino  
March 11, 1986

***"Several VRDC club members said one of the reasons for the party Tuesday night was to reassure the Mayor that his old friends were still with him despite the corruption scandal that has rocked his administration."***

—New York, Day by Day  
New York Times

***"In addition to development in the area and problems with Washington Square Park, support for Ed Koch is a key issue in the 61 Assembly District races. . . Koch has helped VRDC raise funds, while mayoral aide John LoCicero is the club's behind the scene strategist."***

—Village: Two More Wars  
Village Voice, William Bastone  
August 26, 1986

***"The VID's new resolution calls it 'tragic and appalling' that a man who made his political mark fighting Tammany Hall 'should now be found closely associated with the City's most unsavory power brokers'. . . The call for Koch's resignation comes amid a heated campaign for district leader seat being fought between the VID and the rival VRDC which was formed by Koch allies in 1983."***

—Village Dems Demand Ed's Head  
New York Magazine, Jeanie Kasindorf  
August 25, 1986

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***"This is where Koch started, and it should also be the beginning of his end," said Sherri Donovan, 61st Assembly District Leader. . .He's sold City Hall for his own political gains."***

—Ed's Club At The Start Asks Him To Finish  
New York Daily News, *David J. Krajicek*  
August 18, 1986

Sherri Donovan represents progressive, independent leadership. Sherri has been an outspoken critic of Koch Administration policies and has called for his resignation. Sherri Donovan's opponent has continued to endorse Ed Koch. She should . . . she's the President of his club (VRDC)!

VOTE FOR

**SHERRI DONOVAN for District Leader**  
**MARGARET CHIN for State Committee Woman**

**Democratic Primary, September 9th**  
**Village Independent Democrats**



# VILLAGE INDEPENDENT DEMOCRATS

## Re-Elect

**SHERRI DONOVAN - DEMOCRATIC DISTRICT LEADER**  
EXPERIENCE AND LEADERSHIP ON ISSUES  
THAT CONCERN ALL OF US

- ☆ Actively working to stop luxury high rise development in the Village
- ☆ City-wide spokesperson and organizer for commercial rent protection to protect small businesses and the arts
- ☆ Vigorous proponent of Gay/Lesbian rights
- ☆ Activist for the empowerment of women, minorities, senior citizens and the homeless
- ☆ Outspoken critic of raids and civil rights abuses by police against the Italian community in the Village
- ☆ Staunch opponent of Westway and the proposed light rail line in the West Village; supports trade-in funds for mass transportation
- ☆ Supported and campaigned for the P.A.C.T. School Board slate
- ☆ Outspoken critic of Koch Administration corruption and anti-neighborhood policies (displacement, no commercial rent protections); called for Koch's resignation, 6/86.

**Sherri Donovan has been endorsed by: Congressman Ted Weiss; State Senator Manfred Ohrenstein; State Senator Franz Leichter; Assemblyman William Passannante; Councilmember Miriam Friedlander; Steve Null, President, Coalition for Fair Business Rents; Gay/Lesbian Independent Democrats; New Democratic Coalition, New York County; V.I.D.**

**Sherri Donovan** is a legal services/tenants attorney. She has lobbied for increased funding for AIDS research and education. She served as an intern at the Congressional Clearinghouse on Women's Rights. She has lobbied on behalf of senior citizens against surcharges on meals at senior centers. Sherri Donovan has worked with artists to maintain the cultural life of the Village. She has worked as a volunteer in Israel on a kibbutz and as a community worker in the West Indies.

**Sherri Donovan** was elected Female District Leader in the 61st Assembly District (part A) on March 26th, 1986 by the Democratic County Committee, your publicly elected community representatives, to fill the vacancy left by Catherine Abate's resignation.

"**Sherri Donovan** is my kind of human being and my kind of District Leader."

**David Rothenberg,**  
State Committeeman, 61st A.D.

"**Sherri Donovan** speaks out for the progressive, liberal ideals that VID has always stood for."

**-Assemblyman William Passannante**

"**Sherri** demonstrates her commitment to our community every night. She doesn't just show up at meetings, she takes leadership in searching for concrete solutions to our problems."

**-Democratic District Leader Anthony S. Hoffmann**

"**Sherri** knows how to listen. She is sensitive and responsive to people's needs. She is an excellent District Leader."

**-Catherine Abate, Executive Deputy Commissioner, NYS Human Rights Division; Former District Leader.**

## ☆ KEEP THE VILLAGE INDEPENDENT ☆

**Who We Are** - The Village Independent Democrats (VID), has been fighting for almost three decades to preserve the active, independent and progressive character of our community. We work year round for our community, working for safer streets, commercial rent protection, affordable housing, aid to mass transit, human rights, and peace. We bring ordinary people into the political process and offer a constant voice for good government. Will you join with us?

### ☆ VOTE ☆

**Democratic Primary, Tuesday, September 9**

Village Independent Democrats, Richard F. Braun, President, Bruce Feffer, Campaign Chair, Victoria Contino, Deputy Chair. Sherri Donovan/Anthony S. Hoffmann, Democratic District Leaders. 224 West 4th Street, NYC 10014 (212) CH3 - 6555 (see over)

## *New Democratic Leader Donovan Sends A Message to Her Village Constituents*

I am very proud and honored to have been elected District Leader of the Village on March 26, 1986. The Village can continue to be a pace-setting community with a vision because of the intelligence, progressiveness, creativity and diversity of the people who live and work here. Through community activism and coalition-building we can work together to create and implement constructive solutions to community problems and preserve our special character.

One of the major problems facing the Village is uncontrolled real estate speculation and development. Mayor Koch and his administration has given the green light to speculators and large developers at the expense of our neighborhoods. The result has been disastrous.

The very fabric of our community has been torn apart by the forced displacement of small businesses and artists. Skyrocketing commercial rents has meant the loss of affordable services, moderate priced restaurants, local culture and the livelihood of many families. I have been working to restore stability to our community by organizing for the passage of commercial rent protection.

The charm and intimacy of the Village has been threatened by a rash of luxury high-rise buildings. The last thing the Village needs is construction of sites like Memphis Towers at Charles and Washington Sts. or the NYU dormitory on Third Ave. Such eyesores take away our right to affordable housing, and sufficient light, air and space. The necessary solutions put forth by community activists including myself are a downzoning plan and expansion of the historical district.

Crime and drug addiction is a problem which needs serious thought and action. Senior citizens have complained of living in fear and many parents are afraid of their children becoming drug users. We need short-term and long-term solutions. Trained

police are necessary not only to apprehend criminals but also to act as social service agents and to work closely with the community. Crime and drug prevention will require education, family counseling, job-training and real employment opportunities. Community organizations and various sectors of government, along with the police, must be involved in implementing these solutions. I have been communicating with Inspector Gelfand of the Sixth Precinct and will continue working with him and others.

I also believe that we can preserve our diversity by unleashing the talent of all residents of the Village. We must seek to empower lesbian and gay people, minorities, women, senior citizens, the homeless and all groups that have been excluded from full democratic participation in our society due to prejudice and/or poverty.

As District Leader I am establishing greater links between community activists, the Village Independent Democrats and the Democratic Party. The Village Independent Democrats believes in working on grassroots issues and electing officials who respond to those issues. The Village Independent Democrats is a major force in keeping the Democratic Party loyal to its program of investing in human service. It is important for everyone to play some role and pay attention to the political arena. This is the only way we can keep government accountable to our needs and principles and have input in regard to who will be representing us.

I look forward to working with all of you and am inspired by the commitment and integrity of the people I have already been involved with. If you want to discuss a community issue or project, feel free to leave a message at the Village Independent Democrats at 243-6555 any weekday night or Saturday afternoon.—Sherri Donovan, Female District Leader, 61st Assembly District, Part A.

# District Leader Candidate Donovan Makes It Official

BY CHRIS ARCHER

Lyndon Johnson was once quoted as saying that if you're in politics and you don't know who's for and who's against you when you walk into a room, then you're in the wrong line of work. This certainly wasn't the case the other night, though, as members of the Village Independent Democrats (VID) jammed the home of Florence and Bill Van Felix on Bleecker St.

And the focus of all this attention was certainly no stranger to the Village's reigning political club. VID vice president Sherri Donovan made official what had already been known for two months: that she is a candidate for Female Democratic District Leader in the Village's 61st Assembly District, Part A. She is seeking the post vacated by Catherine Abate, who was appointed Executive Deputy Commissioner of the State Division of Human Rights in January.

And in the midst of a standing-room-only crowd at this open house, Donovan began by saying that those "shoes will be very hard to fill," referring to Abate's prominence on the local political scene. However, from all appearances, Donovan seems to be starting off on solid ground.

Born in Manhattan and raised in Williamsburg, Brooklyn and on Long Island, Donovan attended Bennington College in Vermont, and spent a year of undergraduate work at the London School of Economics. After receiving a B.A. in Political Philosophy in 1982, she went on to New York Law School downtown, graduating cum laude in May 1985. She passed the state's bar exam in July 1985.

Donovan was one of a select number of attorneys nationwide chosen to perform community legal services on the Reginald Heber Fellowship in the Spring of 1985. She currently works under the fellowship at Essex-Newark Legal Services in New Jersey, representing low-income individuals, tenant associations and non-profit organizations in the field of housing.

Spending much of her time in the Village during law school, Donovan joined the VID a year and a half ago, and wasted no time getting her feet wet. She was co-chairman of the



Village Independent Democrats' vice-president Sherri Donovan makes her candidacy for Female Democratic District Leader official March 5. She's flanked by Steve Null of the Coalition for Fair Business Rents and host Bill Van Felix. (Villager/Septimus Photo)

Student/Youth Outreach Committee from February to July of 1985, and then served as deputy campaign chairperson for the club through the primary campaign and fall elections. She is currently a member of the club's executive committee, as well as co-chair of the Community Affairs Committee, where she has been active in the club's recent petition drive in favor of a commercial rent control. She also serves on the Steering Committee of the Coalition to Save the West Village. Other organizations in which she is active include Lesbian/Gay Independent Democrats, the Cooper Square Community Development Committee, the Village's Ad Hoc Committee to Preserve Small Business, the Greenwich Village Coalition Against Nuclear Arms and the Citizen's Committee for Congressman Ted Weiss.

Such involvement in local community activities was echoed in her speech. "I want to

base this campaign on community activism," she said, stating how the Village "can be a pace-setting community that can have a vision." But this could only be achieved, she continued, by maintaining the "diversity of residence" that has been part and parcel of the neighborhood. But she saw threats to this diversity in uncontrolled commercial rents, overdevelopment of the West Village outside of the Historic District, a lack of priorities on the problem of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, pay equity for women, and racism she saw as "still prevalent."

She felt the solutions to these problems were to be found in the expansion of the Greenwich Village Historic District; some form of commercial rent control, for the neighborhood service businesses that are "the fabric of our neighborhood"; passage of the Gay Rights Bill this year" and a high

priority for AIDS research. On women's rights, she said the point has to be made that we're "not in a patriarchal society anymore." Support for affirmative action was a must, she said, to eliminate the "scars from continuous discrimination."

Donovan said her second role was to forge greater ties between VID and community activism. "You can maintain the issues by keeping a foot in politics," she asserted. And the third role was, like the VID, "to keep the Democratic Party accountable to its program" of progressive reform.

Background, agenda and vision: these were all evident in Donovan's speech to the party faithful and in conversations afterwards. Donovan's nomination by VID March 19 and her subsequent election by the New York County Democratic Committee March 26 are virtually assured. But even in a young political season, she was already cognizant of the primaries this fall, where she will run for district leader against a candidate from the rival Village Reform Democratic Club (VRDC).

She was particularly aware of the upcoming battle when she talked about being a newcomer to the Village. Acknowledging that she just moved into the community in October of 1985, she was quick to point out that her entry into the political arena was not a "quick political opportunism thing." Though she conceded that her "newness is definitely an issue," she said it was more important to "look at someone's work." She stated that community activism was not just a matter of showing up "for testimony at key meetings," but "working with community leaders on a day-to-day basis," to find "constructive, creative solutions to community problems."

Donovan knows her mettle will be tested in the upcoming race, but she hesitated at first to display the spunk one needs in a political battle. "It's a question of money and machinery vs. sincere community activism and independent leadership," she said, though she hesitated to make that an on-the-record statement. After thinking a minute, she straightened herself, and with the slightest trace of a snarl, said, "Print it."

Dear V.I.D. members and community friends,

I am running for Female District Leader as a successor to Catherine Abate, who has been appointed Executive Deputy Commissioner of the N.Y.S. Division of Human Rights. I am seeking your support based upon my proven dedication to preserving and enhancing the Village's progressive, activist and diverse character and to furthering the ends V.I.D. has traditionally fought for.

As your Community Affairs chairperson I am actively organizing the community to advocate and implement constructive, comprehensive solutions to the flight of artists and small business, overdevelopment and gentrification, excess noise and crime, and encroachments on the civil liberties of lesbians and gays, women and minorities. I also served as Deputy Campaign chairperson during the 1985 election and as Student/Youth Outreach co-chairperson. Presently, as Vice President of V.I.D. I am working to strengthen V.I.D.'s presence in the Village, developing programs for the delivery of services that will enhance the well-being of the community, expanding membership, and establishing greater interaction between V.I.D. committees.

Additionally, I am a graduate of New York Law School and am a Legal Services lawyer prosecuting suits on behalf of indigent tenants. As my attached resume will indicate, I have always been an activist in progressive causes, having been involved, in addition to my V.I.D., activities in the student movement, grassroot tenant organizing, the women's movement and in a volunteer in the West Indies.

I look forward to sharing with each of you my vision of the Village's future and my agenda for effecting positive social changes in our community at an Open House reception at                      on                      at                     .

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

Sherri Donovan

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**SHERRI DONOVAN**  
*Experience & Leadership on Issues That Concern Us All*

**VILLAGE POLITICAL ACTIVISM**

VICE-PRESIDENT, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER, and  
COMMUNITY AFFAIRS CHAIRPERSON, Village Independent Democrats present

VID liaison to community; mobilize community on pressing issues including commercial rent protection and opposition to luxury development; testify at public hearings; initiate VID resolutions; assist president in coordination of Club activities; and follow-up activities of committees serving the community on a daily basis.

DEPUTY CAMPAIGN CHAIRPERSON, August 1985-  
Village Independent Democrats November 1985

Coordinator of volunteers in primary election; co-coordinator of all aspects of general election.

STUDENT/YOUTH OUTREACH CO-CHAIRPERSON, February 1985-  
Village Independent Democrats July 1985

Increased student membership of club; initiated and coordinated an all-day city-wide youth conference that produced a program reflecting the positions of young New Yorkers in the 1985 city elections.

STEERING COMMITTEE, Save the Village, present  
A Coalition to Stop Runaway Development present  
MEMBER, Lesbian/Gay Independent Democrats (GLID) present  
MEMBER, Cooper Square Community Development Committee present  
MEMBER, Ad Hoc Committee to Preserve Small Business present  
MEMBER, Greenwich Village Coalition Against Nuclear Arms present  
MEMBER, Citizen's Committee for Congressman Ted Weiss present

**HOUSING**

TENANT ORGANIZER, Fifth Avenue Committee, September 1982-  
Brooklyn September 1983

Coordinated and spoke at neighborhood outreach programs and public hearings as part of campaign for rent and eviction protection for tenants in small buildings.

LAW CLERK, Housing Discrimination Clinic, August 1984-  
New York Law School December 1984

One of two law clerks in landmark case of Asian Americans for Equality vs. Mayor Koch which recognized a constitutional right to housing in New York State; negotiated race discrimination cases referred by City Commission on Human Rights.

**SMALL BUSINESS & ARTIST NEEDS**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS, Coalition for Fair Business Rents present

Plan, organize, and speak at city-wide strategy meetings concerning commercial rent protection; coordinate petition drives, forums, and lobbying efforts to demand the passage of commercial rent protection legislation and to increase awareness and organization on this issue.

**WOMEN'S RIGHTS**

INTERN, Congressional Clearinghouse on Women's Rights January 1979-March 1979

Researched for members of Congress concerning the ERA and abortion; reported for bi-weekly newsletter to members of Congress and their constituents.

CREATOR & EDITOR, "OUT FRONT- September 1977-  
By and For Young Women" September 1978

Newsletter for teen-aged women concerning feminist issues such as birth control, rape, and sex discrimination in schools.

ORGANIZER, "National Conference on Women and the Law" September 1984-March 1984

MEMBER, National Organization of Women present

MEMBER, Women's Bar Association of the State of New Yo.

present

### STUDENT/YOUTH ORGANIZING

CHAIRPERSON, Student Organization Commission,  
New York Law School

August 1984-  
May 1985

Formed coalitions and followed-up activities of 15 student organizations; liaison between Administration and student groups; successful advocate on behalf of student body for a non-discrimination policy for the placement office, divestment of student money from a bank doing business in South Africa, retention programs, fair exam schedules, and improved student accommodations. Selected by Dean to present Supreme Court Justice Brennan with award for protecting civil liberties.

CHAIRPERSON, National Lawyers Guild,  
New York Law School Chapter

September 1983-  
May 1985

Set up all-day conferences on urban issues for community organizers; established forums and a booklet for the student body on progressive legal issues including peace and foreign policy; spoke at Northeast regional conference on student organizing; law clerk on NLG suit involving illegal governmental surveillance by FBI.

PARTICIPANT, Operation Crossroads

Summer 1977

One of nine students chosen to engage in peace corp work in St. Eustatius, West Indies; built and set up a library; trained people to be librarians; lead adult literacy sessions.

KIBBUTZ WORKER, Hagoshrim, Israel

Summer 1978

### EMPLOYMENT

ESSEX - NEWARK LEGAL SERVICES

August 1985-present

Reginald Heber Smith Fellow - Staff Attorney:

Represent the rights of low-income individuals, tenant associations, and non-profit organizations in the field of housing through litigation, counseling, and community education.

HONORABLE MARY JOHNSON LOWE

Spring 1985

Federal Court, Southern District of New York

Law Clerk: worked closely with Judge Lowe on case involving constitutional rights of prisoners; drafted decisions and wrote legal memorandum.

PROFESSOR MICHAEL PERLIN, New York Law School

October 1984-May 1985

Law Clerk: researched the rights of the homeless and social security disability applicants; prepared materials for federal litigation clinic.

GLADSTEIN, REIF, & MEGINNISS

June 1984-August 1984

Law Clerk: researched and wrote legal memoranda on civil rights and labor law; assisted at labor board hearings.

NATIONAL EMPLOYMENT LAW PROJECT

September 1983-March 1984

Law Clerk: responded to legal service lawyers' requests nationwide on workers' rights.

DISTRICT COUNCIL 37

June 1983-August 1983

Law Clerk: researched and wrote memoranda on civil rights and labor law; represented a union member at the Unemployment Insurance Board; assisted at depositions and disciplinary hearings.

### EDUCATION

NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL, New York

J.D. Cum Laude, May 1985.

Passed July 1985 Bar Exam.

Honors: Reginald Heber Smith Fellowship, 1985.

Sylvia B. Garland Award for Excellence in Civil Litigation, 1985.

Law Students Civil Rights Research Council, 1983, 1984.

Wagner National Moot Court Competition (labor law), 1984.

Institute for Continuing Legal Education, 1985.

Who's Who Among Students in American Universities & Colleges, 1983, 1984.

BENNINGTON COLLEGE, Bennington, Vermont

B.A. in Political Philosophy, June 1982.

LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS, London, England

September 1980-June 1981.

# The Choice Is Clear. . .

## **SHERRI DONOVAN FOR DISTRICT LEADER!**

### **WHO SUPPORTS SHERRI DONOVAN?**

#### **Tenant Activists**

Joan Beranbaum, 421A Tenants Assoc.\*  
Nancy Edwards, 421A Tenants Assoc.\*  
Dean Corren, Co-Chairperson, Third Avenue Tenants Association  
Marianne Miller & Phillip Van Arver, Third Avenue Tenants Association  
Lydia Tom, Asian Americans for Equality & New Democratic Movement\*

#### **Commercial Rent Advocates**

Councilwoman, Ruth Messinger  
Steve Null, President, Coalition for Fair Business Rent\*

#### **Education**

Nancy Stein, President of PTA - PS 41\*  
Tony Hoffmann, Teacher & District Leader

#### **Human Rights Leaders**

David Rothenberg, State Committeeman  
Catherine Abate, Executive Deputy Commissioner, NYS Human Rights Division\*  
Seymour Katz, Co-Chair, Coalition of Soviet Jewry\*  
Bill Chong, Asian Americans for Equality\*  
Joe Erazo  
Gay & Lesbian Independent Democrats

#### **Peace Activists**

Councilwoman Miriam Friedlander  
Tom De Luca, Former Director, Mobilization for Survival\*  
Dr. Michio Kaku, Physicist  
Bill Van Felix, Greenwich Coalition Against Nuclear Arms\*  
Norma Becker

#### **Labor**

Frank Barbaro, Assemblyman  
District 65, National Organization of Legal Service Workers  
Civil Service Employees Association  
Bill Nuchow, IBT Local 840  
Sam Meyers, UAW, Local 259

\* for identification purposes only

### **WHO SUPPORTS SHERRI'S OPPONENT?**

Ed Koch

**Ted Weiss, Mario Cuomo, David Rothenberg,  
Miriam Friedlander, David Dinkins,  
Manfred Ohrenstein, and Bill Passannante all say. . .**

**KEEP THE VILLAGE INDEPENDENT!**

**TED WEISS, CONGRESS (17TH C.D.)**

**SHERRI DONOVAN, DISTRICT LEADER**

**MARGARET CHIN, STATE COMMITTEEWOMAN**

Village Independent Democrats (VID)



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JOAN BERANBAUM  
300 Mercer Street  
New York, New York 10003

NANCY EDWARDS  
23 Waverly Place  
New York, New York 10003

Dear 421-a Tenant:

After a long struggle to preserve rent protections for our apartments, we have a rare opportunity this year to re-elect a champion of commercial rent protection and the rights of tenants - Democratic District Leader, Sherri Donovan.

On Tuesday, September 9, in the Democratic Primary, Sherri Donovan will need your vote. She has been a citywide spokesperson and organizer for commercial rent protection; she is a member of the Board of Directors and is Legal Counsel for the Coalition for Fair Business Rents; she has testified, lobbied, and petitioned on behalf of Village store keepers who have been victimized by skyrocketing rents; and as a legal services attorney, Sherri Donovan fights daily for the rights of tenants who are threatened by high rents, inadequate services, and eviction.

Sherri Donovan is opposed by the Koch-backed Democratic club in the Village (VRDC). As you will all remember, in our attempt to obtain permanent rent stabilization for 421-a tenants, the Mayor was one of our most stubborn opponents, consistently supporting the landlords and opposing the tenants. Were it not for the Mayor, we might easily have been able to achieve our goal of permanent rent protection. Let us not permit the Mayor's club to defeat this tenants advocate.

It is important that we all come out to vote for Sherri Donovan on Tuesday, September 9.

Sincerely,

Joan Beranbaum

Nancy Edwards

We support Sherri Donovan for Female District Leader, 61st A.D., Part A.  
Won't you join us?

Lilith Agredano  
Louise Altman, Coalition  
for a Nuclear Free Harbor\*  
Steve Banks  
Martin Barrett, New York City  
Carpenters' Benefit Fund\*  
Andrea Bernstein  
Sue Renee Bernstein  
Jim Briggs  
Judy Brussel  
Madeline Chang  
Margaret Chin,  
Asian-Americans for Equality\*  
Bill Chong,  
District Council 1199\*  
Vicky Contino,  
District Council 37\*  
Keith Crandell,  
Community Board 2\*  
Mary Ellen Cronley  
Mayalin De Jager, Women  
Against Nuclear Destruction\*  
Jill Delman  
Mary DeBenedetto  
Mary Dugan  
Patricia C. Epifanio  
Bruce Feffer  
Vern Fry  
Milt Goldner  
Gary Gordon  
David Gottfried  
Albert Gross  
Ruth Gross,  
Save the Village, A Coalition  
to Stop Runaway Development\*  
William Gross,  
Save the Village, A Coalition  
to Stop Runaway Development\*  
Allen Haber  
John Hanlon  
Richard Hartzman  
David Herst  
Nancy Hollander  
Andy Humm, Coalition  
for Lesbian & Gay Rights\*  
Mimi Hurd  
Ann (Shosh) Hyatt-Smith,  
VID Treasurer\*

Richard Kellmans,  
Former VID President\*  
Fred Koster  
Pauline Kotinsky  
Rosalyn Lacks  
Rebecca Laumb  
Arlene Lowell  
David Mahler  
Tom Mansfield  
Ann Mitchelltree  
Gail Negbaur  
Steven Neil  
Steve Null, Coalition  
for Fair Business Rents\*  
Fran Oelbaum  
Ed Ortiz  
Stephanie Panes  
Linda Peng  
Gilda Riccardi  
Burt Rosenberg  
Allen Roskoff  
Danny Roskoff,  
Former VID President\*  
David Rothenberg,  
Fortune Society\*  
Wally Rubin, Gay/Lesbian  
Independent Democrats\*  
Joseph Sarachek  
Penny Schwartz  
Sheila Schwartz  
Carla Seal-Wanner  
Marilyn Silverman,  
VID Recording Secretary\*  
Geoffrey Smith  
Arthur Strickler,  
VID Vice-President\*  
Richard Sussman  
Sydney Thompson  
Earle Tockman  
Bill Van Felix,  
VID Vice-President\*  
Florence Van Felix  
Klaus Von Stutterheim  
Spring Wang  
Claudia Werman  
Shirley Yan,  
Asian-Americans for Equality\*

\*Organizational listings for identificational purposes only.