

## **VILLAGE BOARD CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS (3 positions open)**

### **Josh Friedman (Locust Park)**

I ask for your vote for another term on the Long Reach Village Board of Directors. During my time on the village board, I've fought to make crime prevention a top priority in our village. I've also advocated for the future of our village center, and insisted we have top-tier amenities with open space in our village. I know we have great challenges facing us over the next few years. With your vote, I will continue to fight for a village center that will make us all proud, with amenities that will serve the residents of Long Reach. I will also be unwavering in ensuring our trails and open spaces are free of trash and vandalism. With your vote, the fight for Long Reach is a fight I will never give up. Every resident of Long Reach is entitled to enjoy the promise of Columbia.

### **Edward Coleman (Jeffers Hill)**

As a standing member of the Village Board, I have worked to make sure that the Long Reach Community Association serves its residents.

I will continue to advocate for updates to CA facilities in our community, tot lot and community pool improvements, maintenance of our open space and funding of our priorities as a community.

The redevelopment of the Village center remains a challenge. I will continue to push the County, as the current owner of the Village Center, to follow through on the process promised when they purchased the property. The proposed improvements are welcome, but are a short-term, stop-gap measure at best and a visionary, long term solution to redevelop the property is required.

I am honored to serve our community and hope that you will allow me to continue to be your advocate. Thank you for your vote.