

Public Advocate

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My name is Reshma Saujani, and I am a progressive Democrat running for Public Advocate to create opportunities, to be your voice, and to stand up and fight for you, especially when others have not. My parents came here as refugees with nothing and this country gave us the opportunity to succeed. It wasn't easy; they struggled day and night. They taught me to keep fighting and never quit. I vowed then to work as hard as I could so others did not have to struggle like my parents did. That's why I dedicated my life to serving others. That started by founding an anti-bullying group when I was beat and called names as a child just for the color of my skin. After that I worked hard to put myself through college and got into my dream school Yale Law, even after not being accepted at first, and have worked hard since then to stand up for those without a voice. Whether it was working on pro bono asylum cases for immigrants, registering voters, or providing solutions for urban small business owners, I have fought to create real opportunities for New Yorkers. What we really need is someone who will just get things done. No more bickering and political nonsense, just real action and real results. The American Dream is slipping away. If politicians in City Hall, Albany and Washington are standing up for themselves and not us, then they are failing to give those that are under-served what they need. What we need are new progressive leaders, and I will be that voice for you. As Deputy Public Advocate I created real results. I didn't wait for Albany or City Hall to act. My work meant that more undocumented students went to college through a DREAM fellowship program. I didn't just call on the government to help young girls. I created a non-profit called Girls Who Code to teach girls from underserved communities how to computer program, giving them the tools they need to climb to the middle class. I'm going to make the office work for eight million New Yorkers by producing real results — affordable housing for our seniors, better schools for our youth, new jobs for parents and a real voice for everyday New Yorkers in City Hall. I am Reshma Saujani, and I am asking for your vote to be your next Public Advocate. I will work everyday for you to create real action, real results and real opportunities. And I will be out in every borough, on every corner, every day to give New York the Public Advocate we deserve.

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