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Bartlett best man for Second Ward

DEAR EDITOR:

Like so many of us, my husband Joe and I moved to Wayne to provide a safe and nurturing place to raise our children. Over the past 19 years in Wayne, we have always believed that what made Wayne great was the ability of our township officials to work together and keep in mind the best interests of residents when they made decisions.

As a mother of two girls who attend Wayne Valley, a son at Anthony Wayne Middle School and another son now in college, I am invested in this town and concerned about its future. That is why I am supporting John Bartlett for Wayne Township Council in Ward Two.

If you've met John, you already know about his sense of decency, career aimed at helping others, his thoughtfulness and compassion. For those of you who have not yet had the opportunity to meet him, I can tell you that he is the best man for the job to represent us here in the Second Ward.

John and his wife, college professor Dr. Khyati Joshi, live in Almadera Estates with their adorable 4-year-old son. In many ways, when I see the Bartlett family I think back to when Joe and I moved to Wayne all those years ago. A belief in a strong community, a safe place for children, a feeling of getting something for your tax dollars, and comfort knowing that your local officials cared about people like us. That's John Bartlett, and that's why I am voting for him on Nov. 4, and why I urge all residents of our ward to vote for John as well.

Brenda Portelli
Wayne

Councilman endorses Barlett, Muir

DEAR EDITOR:

This Election Day, Nov. 4, Wayne residents have the chance not only to choose a new president for our nation but also to bring new voices to the township council, at-large and in the Second Ward. Voters in these races have a clear choice, and I urge residents to consider voting for John Bartlett in Ward Two and Kristin Muir for councilwoman at large.

In the next few years, Wayne faces challenges that need focus and dedication. We need strong voices that will help stabilize taxes, and the only way we can do that is by working together to find innovative ways to increase revenue while doing more with less. I am proud to support John and Kristin because they both understand that being a member of the council is an honor that requires thinking outside of the box and proposing new ideas to move our community forward. John and Kristin will think long-term and consider both the township's immediate, practical needs and how to pay for those needs without breaking the bank or creating a tax time-bomb with public debt.

Serving as councilman for the Fifth Ward for the past 13 years has been a great privilege. For the council to do its best to improve Wayne and control costs, I need colleagues who understand that decisions must be made with the best interests of Wayne in mind, not to score political points. John Bartlett and Kristin Muir recognize the opportunities and challenges we face, and I urge you to consider them both on Nov. 4. Wayne will be in good hands if we give them a chance to lead.

Councilman Chris McIntyre
Wayne