

## **7th City Council District**

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Hi, I'm Mark Levine and I'm running for City Council in District 7. I want to say a few words about what's at stake in this election, and I'll repeat them again in Spanish. I am running for Council because I want New York to be a place where families at all income levels, and in every neighborhood, can find an affordable place to live, a good school to send their kids, and a job that pays enough to provide a decent living. We have some tough fights ahead. We need to crack down on abusive landlords and strengthen rent laws. We must provide universal pre-K, expanded after-school programming, and we must place less emphasis on high stakes standardized testing. We need to invest in mass transit, our schools, our parks — even if it means asking the wealthiest among us to pay a little more. None of these things will be easy to achieve. But we can do it if we pull together as progressives and build diverse coalitions. That's the kind of coalition building I've been doing for two decades — as a public school teacher, as founder of a community development credit union, and founder of the Barack Obama Democratic Club of Upper Manhattan. And I'm proud to have an incredibly diverse coalition of elected officials and labor unions supporting my candidacy. But I can only win with your help. Visit [votelevine.com](http://votelevine.com) to get involved. Yo me estoy postulando a concejal del distrito 7 porque quiero que nueva york sea una ciudad donde todo el mundo tenga acceso a la vivienda asequible, una buena educación por sus niños, y un trabajo que pague un sueldo decente. Se que nos esperan luchas difíciles. Necesitamos enfrentar a los caseros abusivos, y construir más vivienda al alcance de la clase media. Necesitamos pre-Kinder universal, y más programas para después de la escuela. Para lograr estas metas, es imprescindible crear un coalición progresista amplia y diversa. Y es precisamente esa clase de coalición que está respaldando a mi candidatura. Pero para ganar, necesito su ayuda y le pido su voto. Thank you.

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