



November 1, 2007

Dear Neighbor:

I am writing to endorse the entire Democratic team of Leo McGuire for Sheriff; James Carroll, Tomas Padilla, and Elizabeth Calabrese for Bergen County Freeholder; and Jack Drakeford for Englewood Council. On November 6th, I urge you to support these candidates, who have worked and will continue to work with me to make Englewood a better place.

In three short years, Sheriff Leo McGuire, a U.S. Army veteran and 20-year member of the Ridgefield Park Police Department, has reformed the Bergen County Sheriff's Office, cracking down on crime while simultaneously introducing fiscal discipline at the county jail. During his tenure as Sheriff, he has worked to reduce unnecessary overtime, saving taxpayers over **\$6 million** without compromising safety.

As Freeholders, Jim Carroll, Tom Padilla and Liz Calabrese have brought strong leadership to our community and have made Bergen County a better place to live, work and raise our families. They have preserved over 8,800 acres of open space, reduced prescription drug prices by nearly 50% and held the line on county property taxes.

Each Freeholder brings his or her own expertise and focus to the job, making this group a winning combination. Jim, a Freeholder since 2003 and a former member of IBEW, is committed to ensuring that all Bergen County residents receive a living wage by fighting for fair project labor agreements. Tom, who was elected Freeholder Chairman in 2007, is a Captain at the Hackensack Police Department, commanding the Youth Division. Tom sponsored and implemented the Emergency Notification System (Reverse 911) and supplied first responders with bio-hazard suits. Liz, who was elected Freeholder Vice-Chairwoman in 2007, advocates tirelessly for the poor and elderly and led the effort to increase funding for Meals on Wheels by 118%.

Additionally, over the past 3 years, this Democratic administration has awarded Englewood:

- **\$210,614 in grant funding for Barrier-Free Improvements to the Municipal Building**
- **\$165,625 in grant funding for the Depot Square Amphitheater**
- **\$42,300 in grant funding for Community Housing Improvements**
- **\$24,000 in grant funding for the Infant Toddler Day Care Center**
- **\$17,000 in grant funding for the Armory Street Family Intervention Project**
- **\$9,500 in grant funding for Englewood Health Department's Nutrition Program**

Locally, I am asking for your support in electing Jack Drakeford to the Englewood Council. Jack demonstrates the level of dedication and leadership that is necessary to keep Englewood moving forward. He will fight overdevelopment, keep services for all residents at a premium and work with me as we continue to improve the quality of life in our community.

Tuesday, November 6th is an important day. The Democratic team knows what it takes to make Bergen County a better place and will continue to work to strengthen our security, protect our most vulnerable residents, increase our open space and bring fresh, innovative ideas to your county and local government. On November 6th, please give them the opportunity to work for you by voting for the entire Democratic team -- **Column 1** on your ballot. If you need a ride to your polling place, please call Democratic Headquarters at (201) 487-0001.

Leo McGuire for COUNTY SHERIFF
James Carroll for FREEHOLDER
Tomas Padilla for FREEHOLDER
Elizabeth Calabrese for FREEHOLDER

Warm Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael".

MICHAEL J. WILDES
MAYOR, City of Englewood