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Community Leader Dion C. Quamina I Announces Campaign for State Committee Member/District Leader in Brooklyn's 55th Assembly District

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Community organizer and civic leader Dion C. Quamina I announced today that he is running for District Leader in Brooklyn's 55th Assembly District, seeking to bring renewed grassroots engagement and stronger community representation to the local Democratic Party.

Quamina, who was born in Brownsville and is a U.S. Air Force veteran and longtime advocate for civic participation, has spent years working within community institutions and political spaces to help residents better navigate government and make their voices heard. His campaign will focus on expanding civic engagement and strengthening the connection between the Democratic Party and the neighborhoods of Brownsville, Ocean Hill, Crown Heights, East Flatbush, and East New York.

"The role of District Leader should be about more than party politics," Quamina said. "It should be about helping people understand the process, access resources, and participate in shaping the future of their community. Too many residents feel disconnected from the system, and I want to help change that."

Quamina previously launched a campaign for District Leader in 2024 but stepped away during the race following the passing of his father. After taking time to support his family and reflect, he now returns to the campaign with renewed purpose and commitment to the community he has long served.

Quamina brings a background in both government and grassroots organizing. He previously served as Special Assistant for Community Relations in the New York State

Assembly, where he worked directly with constituents and community stakeholders. He has also held leadership roles within local civic institutions, including Community Board 17 and Neighborhood Advisory Board 16.

He is also the founder of Empower Your City - New York City (EYCNYS), a nonprofit focused on civic engagement and community empowerment. Through EYCNYS, Quamina has led voter registration and civic education initiatives aimed at increasing participation in the democratic process. Through partnerships with organizations such as the Lawman Lynch Foundation, Quamina has also helped organize community initiatives including food distribution efforts, back-to-school drives, and holiday events for local families.

Quamina said his campaign will prioritize engaging residents who are often overlooked in the political process, particularly young voters, working families, and first-generation New Yorkers.

“Our communities have strong voices and strong ideas,” Quamina said. “District Leader should be a position that helps bring those voices into the room and ensure they are heard.”

Quamina’s campaign will begin organizing volunteers and meeting with residents across the district in the coming weeks as he builds support for the upcoming Democratic primary.

For more information about the campaign, visit www.votefordion.com.

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