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## Roberto Alves Announces Campaign for Mayor of Danbury

DANBURY, C.T. — Democratic City Councilman At-Large Roberto Alves today announced his candidacy for Mayor. A resident of Danbury since he was 5, Alves has devoted his life to advocating for and supporting his community through determined action and activism in service of the greater good.

"Like many communities, Danbury is at a turning point. We face important challenges that will affect the future of our small businesses, our kids and families, our neighbors," said Alves. "We're in the midst of a crisis. With massive job loss, a looming housing crisis, small businesses closing, and our healthcare system is once again on the verge of being overwhelmed. Too many Danbury families have suffered because leaders at all levels — from Washington down to the City-level — have failed us. We need a leader who can take on our most critical challenges and I'm ready to build Danbury back better, to be more equitable for all." concluded Alves.

"I have seen firsthand how strong a leader Roberto Alves is. He steps up to the plate again and again and we know we can count on him to show up," **said Democratic Town Committee Chair Andrea Gartner.** "Through the pandemic, he's undertaken hosting food and toy drives, organizing food distributions, and educating the community on civic engagement also while serving as Councilman At-Large. This is the kind of engaged leadership that will guide Danbury through these meaningful times. Leadership we know will be a voice for all of Danbury. How exciting for Danbury that Roberto Alves is a candidate for Mayor!"

"I am incredibly excited that my friend Roberto Alves is running for Mayor of Danbury," **said Joe DaSilva, Jr., Vice-Chair of the Danbury Democratic Party,** "He is a true leader. The energy, courage, and commitment he brings to working for the people of Danbury is unmatched. From asking the hard questions on the City Council to make sure our tax dollars are wisely spent to helping lead a food and toy drive at Christmas, Roberto is always willing to roll up his sleeves and do the hard work for the people of Danbury. As Mayor, he won't be afraid of the questions and won't ever stop fighting for the people of Danbury."

A product of Danbury's public schools, Roberto Alves is a City Councilman At-Large and brings nearly a decade of private sector and community-driven experience to the position. He lives on West Redding Road with his spouse Robyn, and their two children, Julius and Catalina.