

Faith, Family, and the Future of Saugerties

It is a privilege to endorse Gaetana Ciarlante for Town Supervisor of Saugerties—a lifelong resident whose character, service, and vision reflect the very best of our community.

Gaetana's family story is woven into Saugerties' history. Her grandfather worked in the Washburn Brickyards of Glasco; her father harvested ice on the Hudson, selling it locally; and her grandmother, founded and ran a beloved neighborhood bakery, Pesces. From them, Gaetana learned the values of hard work, honesty, and faith. She is a proud mother whose son was valedictorian of Saugerties High School and is a graduate of Harvard and Northwestern Law School. She is a loving grandmother of two granddaughters.

Gaetana earned her master's degree from SUNY Albany as a single parent, then served Ulster County in forensics and mental-health services—helping families in crisis and collaborating with law enforcement and the courts. She founded *Operation SOS* to support deployed service members and veterans and remains active in local programs addressing substance abuse and domestic safety. She also established Hudson Riverfront Preservation LLC, sharing her family home and the river's history with visitors while promoting environmental awareness and waterfront stewardship.

As Supervisor, Gaetana will champion accountability, fiscal

discipline, and transparent decision-making. She will protect Saugerties' historic character while encouraging responsible growth and ensuring that government remains responsive to its people.

Traditional American values—faith, family, freedom, and personal responsibility—are the living foundation of Saugerties and of our nation. In a time when political winds can feel divisive, Gaetana Ciarlante represents steadiness and conviction. Vote Gaetana Ciarlante for Town Supervisor—because Saugerties deserves a leader who reflects its values and its strengths.

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