



Law Enforcement Backs Testa for County Legislator

Affiliated Police Association and Westchester County Police PBA Endorse Testa



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John G. Testa, former Mayor of Peekskill and present candidate for County Legislator for has received two major endorsements from the law enforcement community. Both the Affiliated Police Association of Westchester County (APA) and the Westchester County Police PBA have enthusiastically put their support behind Testa in his bid to become the next County Legislator for District 1.

The APA is the blanket organization that represents 53 PBA Law Enforcement Organizations from across Westchester County. They represent over 10,000 members and are a strong voice for law enforcement issues in Westchester County. The Westchester County Police PBA represents the police officers, detectives, and sergeants employed by the Westchester County Department of Public Safety.

As Mayor, John Testa built a record of support for the law enforcement community. His leadership in establishing specialized crime units for Community Policing and an Anti-Drug Task Force coupled with a zero tolerance for crime enabled the crime rate to be reduced by 40% during his tenure.

Perhaps Westchester County PBA President Michael Hagan summed it up best when describing why they are supporting John Testa for County Legislator. "After reviewing your position on matters of great importance to our membership, we have concluded that your record of accomplishment and commitment to the law enforcement community are of tremendous importance to the people you look to serve – the people of Westchester County. We are confident that you will be a fair, honest and effective Legislator and a continued friend to the Westchester County Police PBA," Hagan said of Testa.

"I am extremely proud of these endorsements, Testa said. "The law enforcement community members risk their lives every day to protect us and keep us safe. I have always been a steadfast supporter of all they do and will make sure that, as a Legislator, I will continue to do all I can to provide them with the support they deserve to do the dangerous and critical service they provide to all they protect. I give my sincere appreciation to the APA and Westchester PBA for their endorsements," Testa added.

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