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Candidate for Board of Finance, New Fairfield

Josh found his way to New Fairfield after marrying his college sweetheart and lifelong resident Elisa Beckett. Josh and Elisa have one daughter Parker. An active member of the New Fairfield Democrats, Josh works at the Connecticut General Assembly as a Policy Analyst for Speaker of the House. His work as an analyst includes issues around Aging, Social Services, Housing, and Elections.

Josh holds a B.A. in Political Science from Western Connecticut State University, a soon to be completed M.A. in History from WCSU, and certification in corporate research from Cornell University's School of International Labor Relations.

At home, Josh is a dedicated father of a young child attending Consolidated and can understand the critical needs of our school district. Also, having helped take care of his wife's grandparents in town, Josh knows how important it is to keep New Fairfield affordable for life-long residents. In his job, Josh often must take an unbiased look at policy and political issues to discuss the impact laws will have on people's lives. Being a member of the Board of Finance means balancing the town's needs with the homeowner's ability to pay.

Josh understands the importance of commitment to the **Board of Finance** and its important role in serving all the citizens of New Fairfield. Josh pledges to work together cooperatively and across party lines with our other boards and commissions to serve the residents of New Fairfield.

If elected, Josh pledges to:

➤ Be an advocate for town government to run more efficiently and effectively to reduce costs.

➤ Work with board members on ways the Board of Finance can stay transparent and accountable to the community through the budget process.

➤ Balance the needs of our town and schools with the needs of those on fixed income.

"I want to serve on the Board of Finance because I believe it is important that our budget, taxes, and town's finances are a reflection of our community's values."

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