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Iranian American, Darius Shahinfar, Announces Candidacy for Albany Chief City Auditor

Former Congressional Candidate and Regional Representative for Kirsten Gillibrand, former Congresswoman (NY-20), and Deputy Albany County Attorney for County Executive Mike Breslin officially launches his candidacy for Chief City Auditor for Albany.

ALBANY, NY-- "It is with great pride that today I formally announce my candidacy for Chief City Auditor of our great City of Albany. As a city resident with young children, my wife and I want to help make our city the best that it can be for our family and for all of our families' future."

"As Chief City Auditor, I will be an independent voice and your Taxpayer Advocate in City Hall as I review Albany's finances and city departments. I pledge to be your watchdog of city government in my ceaseless effort to identify cost savings, efficiencies and best management practices in our budget and operations from the Parking Authority to our landfill and every city department in between."

"We are facing ever-rising property taxes that chase our neighbors out of Albany, a situation that must be stopped in order for Albany to remain the center of our region and the place for working families to call home. My experience working in the private sector, as well as in federal, state and county government have prepared me well for the task at hand. I plan to put every bit of that experience and the relationships that I have made with our elected representatives in city, county, state and federal government to work for Albany."

"Because the job of Chief City Auditor requires independence, I will not solicit, accept or provide endorsements of City elected officials or candidates. I am, however, grateful to have the advice and endorsement of former Albany City Comptroller (Auditor) Tom Nitido. I look forward to an energetic campaign and talking face to face with all of our neighbors in Albany about the shared future of our great city."

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