

## Mooradian to challenge for New York State Assembly seat in 145th District

For the first time since 2016, residents of the 145th District will have a choice when they go to vote in November for New York State Assembly, as Doug Mooradian announced he will run on the Democratic ballot.

“Starting with my great grandparents, each generation of our family has served this community in some form or fashion and I have always strived to do the same,” he explained. “This district is among one of the most unique in all of New York state, which can create both challenges and opportunities, so I look forward to meeting with residents and hearing more about their needs and concerns.”

A press announcement stated, “Over the past 20 years, Mooradian has come to be known as a trusted business adviser in the complex world of health care and also a determined community volunteer, leading fundraising efforts at both Niagara Falls Memorial Medical Center and the Niagara Falls Boys & Girls Club. As a result, he was presented the Emerging Leader Alumni Award by the Niagara Falls Education Foundation and also named to the prestigious Buffalo Business First ‘40 Under 40’ list.”

Mooradian said his professional experience will serve him well as an Assemblyman. “In elections, just like in business, com-



petition is a good thing, and I firmly believe that it is time for our district to have a new voice going forward in Albany,” he said. “People deserve a representative who can work with majority leadership and who gives us a fighting chance at securing the funds we so desperately need, but so often miss out on.”

Mooradian is a well-known local business professional who was born and raised in Niagara Falls. His father, Carl, held the distinction as the city’s longest-serving corporation counsel, while his mother, Kathy, was a teacher with the Niagara Falls School District. He is a proud family man who now resides in Wheatfield with his wife, Jennifer, and their two young sons.

To learn more about Mooradian and his campaign, visit [www.MooradianForAssembly.com](http://www.MooradianForAssembly.com).

## Morinello announces Assembly reelection bid

Assemblyman Angelo J. Morinello, R-C-I-Niagara Falls, announced he is seeking reelection to the Assembly. Morinello has served the 145th District in the Assembly since 2016 and previously served as Niagara Falls City Court Judge from 2001-15.

A press release noted Morinello is a lifelong resident of Western New York, a retired judge and a Vietnam combat veteran. “His experience as a judge, lawyer and veteran empower him to serve as an effective representative in Albany. He will continue to focus on maximizing state resources, restoring public safety and rebuilding the state’s economy.”

Morinello said, “It has been my honor to serve as the representative for the people of the 145th Assembly District. This district is where I grew up and where I made my home; its future is very important to me. It would be my privilege to continue to serve you, because there is still so much more work to do.”

“We have to address public safety, as crime is running rampant throughout our communities. I will continue to fight each day to repeal bail reform. It is time to focus on protecting victims rather than criminals. As a former judge, I understand the need to restore judicial discretion so judges can help make our commu-



nities safer. “We must work together to solve these pressing issues facing our residents. With your support, we have the opportunity to move the state forward. New York can make great strides by cutting taxes, rebuilding crippling infrastructure and repealing bail reform. It would be my honor to continue to serve you in the Assembly. “Thank you for your support. I look forward to continuing serving the residents of the 145th Assembly District, and respectfully ask for your vote on Nov. 8.”

## Memorial Day observances in the River Region (cont.)

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helmet is from today – from Iraq/Afghanistan. The dog tags, they are from World War II. These dog tags were actually owned by one of our members and worn during his service in the military.”


Prayers and a moment of silence in memoriam and recognition of recently passed Post 313, auxiliary and family members was next, followed by the laying of wreaths by Post 313 members and local officials including Deputy Supervisor

Jeff Baker of the Town of Porter and Village of Youngstown Trustee Stuart Comerford. The program included a performance of “Amazing Grace” by a member of the Mackenzie Highlanders Pipes and Drums

Corps; a reading of “The Gettysburg Address;” performances of the “Battle Hymn of the Republic,” “America” and “America the Beautiful” by singer Maureen Gambino with Joe Gotta on guitar; and concluded with the play-

ing of taps by Custode. Following the event, a number of residents in attendance were invited for social gathering at VFW Post 313 in Youngstown. (Photo by Wayne Peters; see more at [www.wnypapers.com](http://www.wnypapers.com))





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