

Hello Marbleheaders,

Thank you for your consideration as I seek re-election for my fifth annual term as a member of the Board of Selectmen. It has been a real honor to serve the Town that has been my family's home for generations.

My wife Gayle and I moved back to Marblehead permanently about 23 years ago to raise our children after pursuing early careers overseas. Both of our boys grew up K-12 in the Marblehead school system and graduated from Marblehead High School. Zach is currently serving in the US Marine Corps and Nick is about to graduate from the University of Toronto.

I bring over a decade of service to the Town, which includes nearly four years as Selectman and nine years as a member, and then chair, of the Marblehead Finance Committee. My collaborative approach reflects my experience as a US Marine Corps veteran, an economic development consultant in Africa and Eastern Europe, an executive in the financial services industry, and a co-founding partner of Little Harbor Advisors, an investment management firm located on Doaks Lane here in Marblehead. I have a BA/MA from Tufts and an MBA from Harvard.

As a Selectman, my actions have focused on my broader vision to maintain Marblehead's long-cherished socioeconomic diversity, to welcome new and diverse Marbleheaders into our community, and to steward, along with my Board colleagues, the Town's resilient participatory government.

In addition to taking part in the policy and executive functions of the Board over the last three years, I have served on committees undertaking a range of initiatives, which include: the Board's Selection Committee, which conducted the search for our current Town Administrator; the Board's Budget Committee, which is working with the UMass Collins Center to achieve the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officials Association; the Fair Housing's Marblehead Housing Production Advisory Committee; the Board of Health's recently established Mental Health Task Force; and the Board's Honorable Centenarian proclamation program, which was initiated last year with the Council on Aging to celebrate and memorialize the lives and histories of our eldest Marbleheaders. I have also served on numerous sub-committees in my past roles on the Finance Committee.

I am proud to be part of a Board team that consistently tries to look for root causes of problems; to make decisions based on facts, data and logic; and to overcome differences by building positive relationships with a balanced perspective.

I would be honored to deserve your vote for another term.