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Fellow DTC members:

When I became chair of the DTC three years ago, I always viewed the position as a short term commitment. During that period, the Democratic Party has become much more focused on the issues that are important for all of us as voters and citizens, and we have been able to restore a very stable and competent government in Town Hall in the person of Unk DaRos.

I find now that I am becoming increasingly more interested in scaling down my commitments that steal time away from other activities that my wife Angela and I want to pursue. I am not teaching this semester and have found, for the first time, how nice it can be to have some freedom to make choices about the use of my time. Therefore I have decided to step down in March as chair of the DTC.

There is a local election coming up in November and we will need to gear up our resources to support Unk's reelection. The DTC needs and deserves someone as chair who is willing to devote the time necessary to engage in all of the important activities that a victory will require. The Branford Democratic Party is blessed with an abundance of dedicated and competent members who will step in and carry through, including the current co chairs.

As for me, I have enjoyed a life long engagement with politics beginning with my involvement as a teenager in the old 10th Ward in Wooster Square in New Haven . I intend to remain active in the party and will work to support all of our candidates. In addition to Unk's campaign, we will need to find the best candidate to oppose Governor Rell next year. My greatest satisfaction has come from our involvement in the campaign to elect Barack Obama as president, truly a history altering event

My best wishes to the new leadership of the Branford DTC.

Frank Carrano