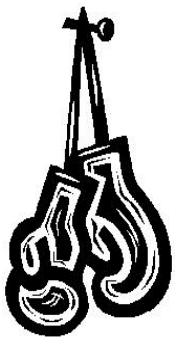


Alderman Darnell Goldson



**An Independent Voice
Fighting for *YOU***



**The Democrat Endorsed
by *YOUR* Neighbors**

VOTE September 13, 2011

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Do You Believe in Coincidences?

Dear Neighbor:

Maybe I believe in coincidences, but I do not when it comes to the treatment and attention our Ward receives from downtown. Do you? It wasn't long ago that none of us could get the City to remove the snow from our streets, until I went on TV and called for public hearing. Flooding has been a major problem on many of our streets, and after two years of pushing from me, and many more years of complaints from you, the problem is finally being addressed. We struggle just to get the City and the Housing Authority to do something as simple as cutting the grass. And now, after several years of complaints, our streets are now being paved. What a difference an election year makes!

I know, and I'm sure that you do also, that the attention that we are now receiving is not a coincidence. And I also believe that if I had not been such an outspoken critic, and now the number one target for defeat by City Hall, this work in our Ward would not be happening. And I will predict that if I am defeated by the City Hall drafted candidate, that the attention will stop.

In this election the choice is clear, on one hand you have a proven advocate for you. Someone who for the last two years has stood beside you with a shovel in hand to clear that snow; someone who has gone to bat for you when the City would not cut that grass; someone who risked going to jail so that the City would finally deal with the illegal junkyard being run on our streets; someone who forced HANH to deal fairly with its tenants, our neighbors; someone who has a perfect attendance with the Board of Aldermen; and someone who has been an outspoken advocate for the taxpayers and residents of New Haven.

On the other hand you have a guy who didn't even bother to register to vote until he was recruited by the administration to run against me, and has been AWOL at the Youth Commission to which he was appointed to by the Mayor. I commend him for the work he has done with his children's basketball teams, and wish him continued success. But, where has he been the last two years when I was fighting for you, holding the line on excessive City spending and taxes, as well as finding the resources to deal with the many problems facing this City. I've walked the walk, while others continue to talk the talk.

It has been an honor and privilege to serve you for the last two years, and I hope that I have both earned your respect, and your support to serve you once again.

Sincerely,

Darnell Goldson

JOBS for New Haveners

Darnell has led the fight to have City government hire New Haven residents. He drafted a landmark report that revealed that only 32% of City of New Haven employees live in New Haven. He has drafted a New Haven residents JOBS bill called **HIRE New Haven**, which would provide a incentives to businesses in and out of New Haven to hire New Haven residents. This bill could put hundreds of New Haven residents to work.

Do You want to see New Haven residents and youth put to work?

If YES, call and write the following and tell them to support Darnell's **HIRE New Haven** proposal and schedule a public hearing, and make sure to call/copy me on the email.

Mayor John DeStefano: 203-946-8200, jdestefano@newhavenct.net
Finance Chair Yusuf I. Shah: 203-507-7679, Ward23@newhavenct.net



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February 9, 2010

Hon. Carl Goldfield
President, New Haven Board of Aldermen
165 Church Street
New Haven, CT 06510-2010

Dear President Goldfield:

I am pleased to submit an order creating the Hiring Incentives for Residents Employment Program hereinafter referred to as the H.I.R.E. - New Haven program to incentivize the hiring of New Haven residents.

As you are aware, due to the recent issues with the economy too many of our resident are out of work. And additionally too many are businesses who want to hire are unwilling to do so despite a need to add additional staff.

Under this program any business that hires a New Haven residents, who has worked for no more than 90 days in the previous calendar year, will be eligible to receive grants to reimburse them for the first 90 days of salary paid to that resident provided that the employee works for the company for at least 90 days. Additionally, the participating business will be eligible for a grant towards the cost of the first year benefits for any New Haven resident that meets the above criteria provided that the business employs the resident for a full calendar year.

All indicators suggest that the jobs are the number one issue. Through addressing this issue we will make a direct assault on the problems such as crime, poverty, and violence. This collaborative effort between the City of New Haven and employers will also be helpful in increasing employers for our summer youth employment programs that historically have had to turn away hundreds of New Haven applicants. Our constituents want us to lead this charge and address these issues. This program can be a significant complementary piece to the many other incentives to get businesses to hire again.

Passing the H.I.R.E.-New Haven program is one small step that we can take to address both the needs of residents and our business community. Instituting this program will make it abundantly clear that this Board and our City intend to support efforts that permanently position New Haven as the most job friendly city in our region.

Sincerely

Hon. Darnell Goldson
Ward 30, Alderman

Fairness and Transparency in Government

Darnell's fights to make sure all residents and taxpayers get a fair shake:

- When the City tried to transfer the police outdoor shooting range from Newhallville to West Rock, bringing with it noise and environmental pollution, he fought back!
- When the City tried to tax YOU for rain water, he fought back!
- When the City attempted to give YOUR tax dollars to fat cat corporations, he fought back!
- When the City tried to hide the corruption in the Tax Assessors office, he exposed the corruption and fought back!
- When a neighbor tried to open and maintain a junkyard in OUR Ward, he fought back!
- When the Mayor tried to extend his term in office from 2 to 4 years, he fought back!

My Continued Pledge To *YOU*

I **WILL OPPOSE** and vote against any new or higher taxes, fees, and fines proposed while serving as alderman, as well as oppose funding for non essential activities such as the Tweed Airport and other wasteful spending;

I **WILL FIGHT FOR** real school reform that addresses all students, neighborhoods, and schools, and not just a chosen few;

I **WILL ADVOCATE** for Board and Commissions reform that allows all communities to have a voice at City Hall;

I **WILL LISTEN TO YOU** and your concerns and aggressively advocate on your behalf;

I **WILL BE AVAILABLE** and accessible to you by sponsoring monthly neighborhood meetings on your streets, as well as returning all phone calls within 24 hours;

I **WILL EXPOSE AND FIGHT AGAINST** special sweet heart deals and taxpayer giveaways to corporations and individuals who hold special favor;

I **WILL STAND UP FOR** our community and its needs, advocating for an increased public safety presence, repaired sidewalks and curbs, lowered taxes, an improved education system, and community involvement in decision making.

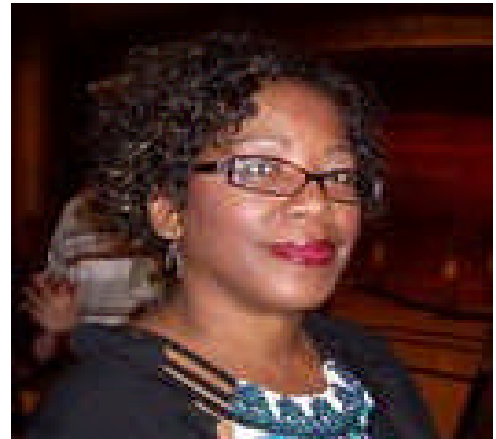
What Others Are Saying



“Alderman Goldson is doing a fine job by answering complaints immediately from residents, I want him to continue to work for this ward and not allow one resident to stop him for their own personal reasons.” Honda Smith, New Haven Independent

“Alderman Goldson has done an incredible job, from helping us to get Public Works to plow our overlooked street, getting Engineering to start the process of cleaning the creek behind our homes, to pushing for common services like grass cutting, he has done it all.” Roberta Okwuosa, Valley Place South homeowner

The New Haven Register - When West Rock resident Roberta Okwuosa couldn't get the city to mow an overgrown, mosquito-infested plot in her neighborhood in June, she took matters into her own hands. Now, Okwuosa is asking the city to reimburse her the \$75 she paid to have her landscaper mow the city-owned property... West Rock Alderman Darnell Goldson, D-30, went to bat for Okwuosa and laid the groundwork for a taxpayer bill of rights.”



“Alderman Darnell Goldson has been a tremendous asset to the Board of Aldermen, doing an outstanding job representing and advocating for the people of Ward 30 as well as the entire City, leading the Board in exposing the real issues and challenges this city faces. He has really stood up for youth and seniors and has helped restore a balance and independence between the executive and legislative branches which has benefited the citizens of New Haven.” Alderman Michael Smart D-8, Chair, Tax Abatement Committee

Read More about Darnell

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Fighting for YOU



EDUCATION and YOUTH

Darnell FOUGHT to:

- Preserve the Talented and Gifted programs when the Mayor proposed gutting them and restore Librarians and extend library hours;
- Ensure that all students, not just a select few, benefited from School Reform;
- Force to administration and Board of Education to deal with the Drop Out crisis;
- Expand the Youth at Work jobs program to ALL eligible youth in New Haven, not just the connected few;
- Eliminate school administrative positions and reallocate those funds to the classroom;
- Open all schools as Community Centers.

SENIORS

Darnell firmly believes that a society is judged by how it treats its younger and its older citizens. He FOUGHT to:

- Preserve the Senior Rental Rebate program;
- Reduce Seniors tax burdens by abating and eliminating taxes;
- Protect Senior Housing programs and make the Housing Authority of New Haven live up to its responsibilities to provide SAFE, AFFORDABLE, and HEALTHY housing.

CORE SERVICES

Darnell FIGHTS to make sure that Ward 30 residents and ALL New Haven citizens are not left behind:

- During the recent snow storms personally visited every street and helped shovel out our neighbors;
- Called for a public hearing when the city did not adequately respond to the snow storms;
- Led the fight against proposed tax increases;
- Called for a FAIR process for paving streets;
- Fought to ensure that our neighborhood schools would be first to benefit from School Reform;
- Led the fight for a local African American Assistant Police Chief



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