

## **Thank You.**

To every candidate who stepped up, put their lives on hold, and ran for local office to represent their Needham neighbors -**we offer our deepest thanks**. Your courage and commitment to public service is truly commendable. We congratulate all the winning candidates on their well-run campaigns and victories. We look forward to working together as a town to make Needham the best town it can be.

To **the 6,900+ citizens who came out in January** to vote "no", your voices made history. Thank you. While turnout was high in our recent election, nearly **4,600 less** voters took to the polls on April 8 than on January 14, highlighting a challenge we must all face: staying engaged beyond one moment.

With the election in the rear-view mirror, we remain committed to fulfilling our promises:

**-To keep residents informed;**

**-To bring transparency to local decisions; and**

**-To ensure our elected leaders listen to and thoughtfully consider viewpoints from all residents.**

We will remain active and participate, especially as critical projects including **Envision, 100 West/Carter Building, the Muzi site**, and ongoing **zoning changes** move forward.

Let's stay active. Let's stay informed. Above all, **let's stay vigilant, Needham.**

The future of our town depends on it.

**Barbara McDonald, volunteer for Needham Residents for Thoughtful Zoning**