

Dear Fellow Horsemen and Horsewomen,

I am proud to announce my candidacy for Trainer Representative and respectfully ask for your support.

For more than 20 years, I have dedicated my career to harness racing. During that time, I have earned over 1,000 training victories while maintaining a reputation for honesty, professionalism, and integrity. I have never served a single day of suspension for any illegal violation, a record that reflects my commitment to doing things the right way.

My work ethic speaks for itself. I believe in leading by example, working hard every day, and treating others with respect. In addition to my racing experience, I am also a college graduate, bringing both education and practical experience to the position.

One of my greatest strengths is that I have no conflicts of interest when it comes to voting or making decisions on behalf of our membership. I do not have other family members involved in the business, allowing me to make decisions based solely on what is best for our association and our industry.

On every race night, I am in the paddock and readily available for anyone to approach with concerns, questions, or ideas. I believe the best representatives are accessible, willing to listen, and committed to open communication.

I firmly believe that every member deserves to be treated equally, whether you race one horse or thirty. Every owner, trainer, and horseman deserves a voice and fair representation.

Most importantly, I want to serve as a strong advocate for the safety and welfare of our horses. Their well-being must always remain at the heart of the decisions we make, and I will work to ensure that their care and safety continue to be a top priority.

It would be an honor to represent you as your Trainer Representative. I appreciate your consideration and respectfully ask for your vote. Together, we can continue working toward a fair, transparent, and stronger future for our horsemen and our industry.

Thank you for your support.

Maria Rice

Candidate for Trainer Representative