

Dear Members of the Western New York Harness Horsemen's Association,

I respectfully ask for your support and vote for my re-election to the Board of Directors of the Western New York Harness Horsemen's Association.

Harness racing and the horse industry have been a major part of my life for decades. I have been a horse owner for more than **30 years** and have built lifelong relationships with horsemen and horsewomen throughout Western New York and beyond. These relationships have given me a deep appreciation for the dedication, hard work, and sacrifices that our members make every day to keep our sport and industry strong.

Professionally, I bring more than **35 years of experience in animal nutrition and retail**, working directly with horse owners, trainers, breeders, and equine professionals across the region. Through these experiences, I have gained valuable knowledge and perspective on the challenges facing our industry, as well as the opportunities available to help it grow and thrive.

My commitment to harness racing is both professional and personal. As the owner of several horses, I understand firsthand the investments, risks, and rewards that come with participating in this sport. I share the same concerns and goals as many of our members, and I am passionate about ensuring that the voices of horsemen are heard and represented.

What sets me apart is not only my experience but also the long-term relationships I have built with horsemen over many years. I have listened to their concerns, celebrated their successes, and worked alongside them through the challenges our industry has faced. These connections allow me to represent a broad range of viewpoints while always keeping the best interests of our membership at the forefront.

If re-elected, I will continue to work tirelessly to **improve and enhance harness racing in New York**, advocating for initiatives that strengthen our industry, support our horsemen, promote horse welfare, and create opportunities for future generations. I believe that by working together, we can preserve our rich harness racing tradition while positioning our sport for continued growth and success.

I am proud of my years of service and remain committed to being a strong voice for our membership. With more than three decades as a horse owner, over 35 years of industry experience, and a lifelong passion for harness racing, I believe I have the knowledge, dedication, and leadership necessary to continue serving effectively on your Board of Directors.

Thank you for your support and consideration. I would be honored to earn your vote and continue working on behalf of the Western New York Harness Horsemen's Association and the future of harness racing in New York.

Sincerely,



Lee Winters

Candidate for Re-Election

Board of Directors

Western New York Harness Horsemen's Association