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Democratic Candidate for Commissioner of Finance Unveils Platform

[Saratoga Springs, NY] – Democratic Candidate for **Commissioner of Finance, Minita Sanghvi**, has a plan for Saratoga’s future.

Sanghvi unveiled her policy platform at a recent campaign event at the Saratoga Winery. “COVID exposed the fault lines in our city’s finances. My first priority is to rebuild our finances so that we are prepared in the event of another situation like the past 18 months.” She plans to work on diversifying tourism in the city as a way to boost revenues. “We are already a leading destination, but there is so much more we can do. Saratoga Springs is not just the August place to be.”

Sanghvi is a tenured professor with an undergraduate degree in accounting, an MBA and a PhD in business. She has worked for several Fortune 500 companies, and has nearly twenty years of community service experience. She currently serves as the Finance Officer for the Saratoga Springs Public Library Board of Trustees.

Her plan for Saratoga Springs is to:

- 1. Rebuild Saratoga finances.** “COVID-19 hit our community and its economy hard. I will focus on rebuilding our fund balances so we are better prepared for the future,” says Sanghvi.
- 2. Build the 3rd EMS station on the Eastern Plateau.** Saratoga Springs must be safe for all residents, and this project is an important part of that. Sanghvi supports “staffing our fire trucks fully, to decrease response time and increase the safety of our fire-fighters.”
- 3. Boost our tourism.** Our tourism has historically focused on the track and the summer season. We can do more. “I will work with local business leaders to expand our tourism base with opportunities for cultural tourism, sports tourism, historic tourism, and green tourism that brings more people year-round to Saratoga Springs.”

4. Invest in green, clean infrastructure. “I will work to get our city hall carbon neutral by 2030,” says Sanghvi. “State and federal funding initiatives can help build our city’s green infrastructure, and ultimately benefit our city’s bottom line.”

5. Inclusive Saratoga. Our community should make every resident feel safe and welcome. “Our city is torn right now and both sides feel unheard, disrespected and disregarded. My experience serving on the Human Relations Commission in Greensboro and the Human Rights Task Force in Saratoga Springs gives me the skills to bring people to the table and start the process of building bridges.”

Sanghvi’s academic qualifications, her business experience and community service on the Saratoga Springs Library Board as the Finance Officer make her among the most qualified candidates ever to run for commissioner of finance in Saratoga Springs. She is endorsed by the Saratoga Springs Democratic Committee, Capital Women, Eleanor’s Legacy, New York State Young Democrats, Victory Fund and IA Impact.

For more information about Minita’s qualifications and her platform, please visit www.minitasanghvi.com.
