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*****Statement****

Assembly Member Francisco Moya Declares Candidacy for City Council

*Queens official announces plan to run for 21st District following
stunning decision today by two-term incumbent Julissa Ferreras-
Copeland not to seek re-election*

*In making announcement, Moya vows to build on progressive
Albany record of standing up for rights of immigrants, working
families and small businesses in the face of threats posed by
Trump*

CORONA, N.Y. - I'm excited to officially announce my candidacy for the 21st District in the New York City Council.

For the last seven years, I have worked tirelessly in Albany to stand up for working families in Corona, Elmhurst, Jackson Heights and across this city. I have seen the challenges we face in

providing a quality public school education to our children, encouraging the small businesses that drive economic growth in Queens, and standing up for the rights of immigrants, women and members of the LGBTQ community at a time of mass deportations, fear and Donald Trump. We see the hardworking men and women who build this great city and make it run struggle to receive the fair wages and workplace protections they need and deserve.

These are the issues I have spent my life fighting to address. For everything I have accomplished in the State Assembly, I believe I can do even more for our families in the City Council. As our next council member, I look forward to continuing the tremendous efforts of Council Member Ferreras-Copeland, and fighting for the progressive values that define our city. We know all too well how corruption and a lack of accountability can harm our community, and the last thing we need is to follow Council Member Ferreras-Copeland's tenure with the kind of failed leadership of the past.

Over the coming months, I intend to meet with voters to build support for my candidacy and speak to my vision for securing a better future in the World's Borough.

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