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Paulette Ofrias has been a tireless advocate, devoting her time and talents to improve her community. She is a business leader, educational advocate and volunteer for many local civic organizations.

A member of the Southold School Board of Education for 14 years, Ms. Ofrias has served as Board President for the past five. She has been instrumental in fostering a successful partnership between the Southold and Greenport school districts, and her efforts have led to the sharing of programs, administrators and sports teams, creating greater opportunities for

students and savings for taxpayers. Under Ms. Ofrias' leadership, the Southhold-Greenport concept has overcome geographical and social barriers to become a shared services model for the rest of the state.

Ms. Ofrias has been active in the School Athletic Association, the Building and Grounds Committee, and as a member of the Board of Directors of the Southhold School Educational Foundation. She has volunteered for St. Patrick's Church CCD religious education and CYO basketball programs, and is the esteemed recipient of the St. Pius Award of Rockville Center for service and commitment.

A member of the Southhold Rotary Club, Ms. Ofrias has also supported the work of the Chamber of Commerce. Her efforts on behalf of the Southhold Town Annual Fourth of July Parade have made this event an enormous success for residents and business owners on the North Fork. In addition, Ms. Ofrias is a Trustee of the East End Health Plan and serves on the East End Financial Group Advisory Board. In 2014, she was honored by the North Fork Chamber of Commerce with the Business Award on behalf of the Scott Family Pharmacy.

Ms. Ofrias and her husband, Greg, own the Southhold and Shelter Island Pharmacies. They are the proud parents of two adult children, Scott, an attorney, and Patrick, a police officer. The Ofrias' outstanding dedication and countless contributions have positively impacted the Southhold community and beyond, and have established a remarkable legacy for future generations.