



Representing the 36th District, NYC Councilman Robert E. Cornegy, Jr. represents the people of Bedford-Stuyvesant and northern Crown Heights. Since his election in 2013, Rob emerged as one of the most effective lawmakers in the city. In that time, Rob ushered substantive legislation through to passage across a wide spectrum of issues facing NYC today, like small business development, women’s and family rights, social justice, housing and the needs of seniors.

Rob also led the way in establishing District 36 as a worldwide cultural destination, promoting Bedford-Stuyvesant and Crown Heights as premier hot spots for tourists and natives alike. He appointed the first Director of Arts and Culture in the Council, collaborating with local arts institutions, the NYC Department of Parks and Recreation, neighborhood businesses and corporate sponsors like Uber and local galleries to produce everything from curated art walks and bus tours to award-winning plays in the park.

Now he’s turning his attention to the entirety of Brooklyn with a run for Borough President in 2021. Rob has a bold vision for Brooklyn’s future, a vision that takes a holistic approach to building dynamic urban communities in the 21st century. He believes that we must develop affordable housing for people across all income levels. Education must be available that gives every Brooklyn child the chance to develop at their own pace and excel at what they choose. Public safety must be maintained, but never at the expense of vilifying people of color. He is focused on creating a climate that fosters a vibrant array of small businesses that are the anchors of their communities, especially those that are minority- and women-owned. Most importantly, Rob believes that neighborhoods must receive truly collaborative, thoughtful and nuanced leadership to ensure success in our increasingly-connected world.

Robert is a native of New York City. He attended St. John’s University, playing backup center for their historic 1984-85 Final Four team. He holds a degree in Organizational Leadership and a Master’s in Organizational Management from Mercy College.