Campaign Press Release: Jim Nyhan

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Citing the need to maintain our infrastructure and support local businesses and senior residents, local businessman Jim Nyhan is pursuing one of the four Bedford Township Trustee positions in the upcoming election.

Known as the "bowling guy" for his affiliation with Forest View Lanes, Nyhan sees the need to expand the township's outreach to senior citizens and younger families as the main goal for the community in the near future.

"I have always enjoyed the people of the township," Nyhan said, "most importantly being our senior citizens, people with disabilities and our children. I want to make sure our township is listening to their wants and needs and promoting ourselves through today's technology as the safe community ripe for more growth."

Nyhan was the owner and operator of Forest View Lanes for 25 years, expanding the family business into the bowling center it is today. As a businessman, he was able to work with local schools and the township to establish a successful after-school program at the center, servicing over 20 thousand families since its inception. He has also coordinated fundraising and other programs for community and non-profit groups such as the Salvation Army and personally opening his center's doors to less fortunate and homeless residents during the Christmas holiday.

A few years ago, Nyhan sold his business to focus on more time with his family, especially his son Jimmy, who is autistic and requires increased care.

"I truly owe this township a big thank you for supporting my business and my family throughout these years and the best way I know how to pay you back is to use some of the skills you have taught me as Township Trustee," Nyhan said.

As Trustee, Nyhan plans to maintain and expand the township's infrastructure to ensure business and industrial growth, as well as attract new families to the township. He also wants to better promote local businesses through listening to their needs and properly acting upon those needs.

"Our local business leaders are some of the finest people you will ever meet," Nyhan said. "Our government needs to be better at listening and understanding of this community and provide the necessary tools for prosperity and growth."

Nyhan has been married to Sherry for 25 years and they have four children – Christy, Laura, Natasha and Jimmy – and five grandchildren. All of his daughters are graduates of Bedford Public Schools and two grandchildren are currently attending. His son Jimmy is still attending Monroe ISD-Ed Center until he is 26.

In recent years, Nyhan has built his own consulting business to help bowling centers and has been involved in establishing a company aimed at catering to the digital needs of bowling and other family entertainment establishments. He can be reached at jamesnyhan@aol.com.