



Office of Mayor Fletcher Berger

Greetings from the Mayor,

As I enter the 1st year of my fourth term in office, I continue to believe that Bedford Heights has become a true destination location for empty nesters, first-time homebuyers, and retirees. The City comprises affordable housing, four accessible parks, direct access to Interstates 480 and 271, modernized infrastructure, financial stability, and a multi-purpose community center.

With 95 new buyers purchasing homes in 2019, Bedford Heights continues to welcome an influx of young adults and their families either moving back into the community or relocating to Bedford Heights.

It is truly an honor to represent this community as its Mayor. I am committed to the responsibility of the office I hold, and I do not take it lightly. I am grateful and appreciative of the opportunity to serve the community that I have called home for nearly 40 years.

Our commercial/industrial space continues to increase with the ongoing retrofitting of older buildings into modern uses; the revitalization of existing companies' business models to boost revenues; and the relocation of businesses to Bedford Heights. Each of these, in and of themselves, provide us with the necessary revenues to run the city, however it is incumbent upon this administration to ensure that in the course of overseeing the management of our community, we continue to maintain a balanced budget.

I would like to encourage every resident, new and old, who has yet to visit our community center to do so. Nearly 8% of the city's overall budget (*\$1.5 million*) has been designated for the administration and upkeep of the facility for the benefit of the community. As part of our Healthy Bedford Heights initiative, we hope that you will consider us for all of your fitness and wellness needs, as well as allowing us to become your social retreat from the stresses of daily life.

As a reminder, my door is always open. I look forward to seeing many of you throughout the year at one or more of our community events.