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Jersey City, N.J. Council President Rolando Lavarro (left) with Jersey City Mayor Steven Fulop. (Filipino Reporter file photo)

Urges community to ‘Get Out The Vote’

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JERSEY CITY — Looking to energize Filipino voters in Jersey City, Council President Rolando Lavarro will hold a “Pulongbayan,” campaign rally to get out the vote for the Nov. 7 general elections.

The free event will be held on **Tuesday, Oct. 24, 6:30 p.m., at Golden Door Charter School, located on 3044 John F. Kennedy Boulevard.**

Lavarro, ballot position 1B, is running for re-election for Council At-Large.

The gathering will provide community members an opportunity to learn more about the entire Team Fulop 2017 slate, what’s at stake in the November 2017 elections particularly in Jersey City, and what the community can do to inform and encourage others to vote.

(Read: Filipino Reporter endorses Team Steven Fulop at <http://www.filipinoreporter.us/editorials/editorial/4332-team-stein-fulop-in-jersey-city-elections.html>

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“Elections require active participation now more than ever,” said Lavarro.

“With anti-immigrant sentiment spreading across the country, there are those who seek to limit our ability to vote and have a voice, particularly in minority communities. We need to be visible and vocal more than ever, and we can do that by voting and actively engaging others to vote.”

Lavarro touts a broad range of achievements in his four-year tenure as Council At-Large, including: pushing to increase number of police and diversifying police rank, with JCPD now at 950 officers and considered the most diverse police force in the nation; fighting to ensure that Jersey City workers earn a better living with dignity by passing legislation such as living wage and earned sick days; advocating for affordable housing and sensible development, supporting projects like expansion of NJCU along West Side Avenue; conserving/creating green and recreation spaces for families, which resulted in a new park — Berry Lane — to be created;

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worked with administration to provide young people with opportunities, through summer internship and work programs.

"Invite your family and friends to listen, ask questions, be informed," urged Lavarro.

"It has taken a lot of hard work, in working with the Fulop administration, to achieve the progress that we now see in Jersey City. We want people to know how they can be involved in keeping Jersey City moving forward."

Lavarro has also launched his website — lavarroforjerseycity.com — where people can sign up to volunteer, join his mailing list, donate, and get information about his campaign.

Volunteers can stop by his campaign office on 518 West Side Avenue, from Monday to Friday at 5:30 p.m.-8 p.m.; and Saturday 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Team Fulop 2017 comprises of Mayor Steven Fulop (1A); For Council At-Large- Rolando R. Lavarro (1B), Joyce Watterman (2B), Daniel Rivera (3B); Ward A - Denise Ridley (7C); Ward B - Mira Prinz-Arey (3C); Ward C - John Hannusak (3C); Ward D - Moriah "Mo" Kinburg (5C); Ward F - Jermaine Robinson (5C).