

# Councilwoman Bonner Attends Habitat for Humanity Project Inauguration on Rocky Point Veteran's Home

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**Farmingville, NY** – On October 19, Councilwoman Jane Bonner attended a Habitat for Humanity "opening ceremony" to launch the start of the work Habitat for Humanity of Suffolk (HFHS) will do at a veteran's home in Rocky Point.

Army veteran Tommy Sullivan's house is getting an "extreme makeover" thanks to HFHS. An original member of the popular vocal group, Johnny Maestro and the Brooklyn Bridge, Mr. Sullivan's home suffered severe damage during Superstorm Sandy. The renovation will cost nearly \$80,000. Veterans from American Legion Smith-Weaver Post 651 of Sayville, are volunteering their time to do much of the work. The reconstruction is expected to be completed in eight to ten weeks.

Councilwoman Bonner stated, "As has been noted about Habitat projects, as they build houses they also build community – not just a neighborhood, but a genuine sense of community. I am more than proud to join with Habitat for Humanity of Suffolk in this commendable effort in my own home town."

Pictured above (front row, left to right) are Elias Twitchell HFHS AmeriCorps, Joe Cignitore Rocky Point VFW, John Rago Suffolk County United Veterans, Legislator Sarah Anker, Tom Sullivan HFHS Family Partner, Chris MacNamee HFHS Site Supervisor, Susan Sullivan HFHS Family Partner, Councilwoman Jane Bonner, Diane Burke HFHS Executive Director and C.E.O., Marissa Hiruma Health and Welfare Council Representative, Lee Silberman HFHS Board Chair; (back row, left to right) Bob Benson HFHS Board Member, Ray Homburger HFHS Board Member, Walter Mackey HFHS Construction Director.

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