

Charlie Tomaro

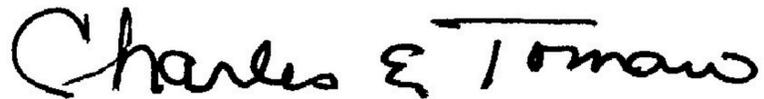
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Dear Chairman McCabe:

I am writing to confirm my intention to seek reelection to the Middlesex County Board of Chosen County Commissioners. It has been an honor to serve and represent Middlesex County, and I remain committed to addressing the needs of our residents.

I respectfully request your endorsement for the 2026 Primary Election. Thank you for your continued support and trust.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Charles E. Tomaro". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line above the "T" in Tomaro.

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County Commissioner, Middlesex County

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County Commissioner Charles Tomaro is a lifelong resident of Middlesex County and a proud graduate of Middlesex College and Rutgers University. First elected to the former Board of Chosen Freeholders in 2011, he has earned the continued trust of voters in every election since. Over the years, he has served in key leadership roles, including Deputy Director of the Board, and currently serves as Chair of the Middlesex County Infrastructure Management Committee.

Commissioner Tomaro's public service began well before his election to county office. He served on the Edison Township Council from 1996–2007 and again from 2010–2011, including multiple terms as Council President and Council Vice President. During his time on the Council, he led efforts to preserve open space, negotiating the purchase of 36 acres of farmland and the acquisition of the 11-acre Oakcrest Swim Club property, protecting valuable recreational space for residents. He also worked alongside community members to establish a local skatepark, later spearheading its renovation as a County Commissioner, and launched Edison's "Dig This" campaign to help homeowners safely remove underground fuel tanks through state grant funding.

Since joining the County Commissioners, Tomaro has focused on modernizing government and strengthening infrastructure. As former Chair of County Administration, he advanced the integration of new technologies across county departments, including expanded Geographic Information Systems (GIS) services available to residents and businesses.

As Chair of the Infrastructure Management Committee, Commissioner Tomaro has led major infrastructure projects, including the development of new County Parks and Pocket Parks, as well as renovations of the County's golf courses. He played a leading role in developing Middlesex County's Sustainable Energy Master Plan, helping reduce energy costs while advancing environmental sustainability. A longtime advocate for farmland and open space preservation, he has worked in partnership with municipalities and the State of New Jersey to preserve thousands of acres. He also collaborated with local leaders to remediate contaminated property on Whitman Avenue in Edison, transforming it into the Edison-Metuchen Off-Leash Dog Park.

Commissioner Tomaro serves as the County's liaison to the Middlesex County Utilities Authority (MCUA), supporting responsible environmental and waste management.

A strong supporter of arts and community engagement, Tomaro remains deeply involved in Middlesex County's Plays-In-The-Park program. He established complimentary admission for county veterans, active-duty service members, and their families, and continues to organize the annual summer food drive benefiting REPLENISH, in partnership with the Middlesex County Improvement Authority (MCIA) and Feeding Middlesex County.

Beyond his county responsibilities, Tomaro serves as President of the Hands of Hope Food Pantry in Edison, where he has volunteered for more than two decades. He also serves as a Commissioner of the Peter J. Barnes III Wildlife Preserve and has been a merit badge counselor with Central Jersey Boy Scouts Troop 17 since 2001, helping guide more than 100 Scouts to the rank of Eagle Scout. Additionally, he has served on the Commission of the Thomas Edison Memorial Tower since 1996. Most recently, he was appointed by Governor Phil Murphy to serve as a Commissioner on the New Jersey Racing Commission.

Throughout his career, Commissioner Tomaro has been recognized for his service, including receiving the Governor's Thomas Jefferson Community Service Award, the Middlesex County Board of Agriculture Award of Recognition, the Edison Elks Man of the Year Award, and the YMCA Peter Barnes Community Champion Award. He was inducted into the Hall of Honor at J.P. Stevens High School, his alma mater, in 2002.

Commissioner Tomaro resides in Edison Township with his wife, Maria, and remains committed to building a stronger, safer, and more sustainable Middlesex County for future generations.