

A letter to all my friends

Hello everyone!

I am Hongbao Ma, running for Governor of New York in 2026.

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to all my friends for your continued care, support and encouragement.

New York City is one of the world's most powerful and prosperous regions, and one of the world's most important international cities, attracting people from all over the globe. However, alongside its prosperity, New York still faces numerous challenges, including poverty, crime, homelessness, infrastructure, and public health. New York possesses immense strengths, but also needs further development. Our goal is to do the right thing, and do it to the best of our ability; to be people-oriented, to make the good even better, and to correct the problems that exist.

Our main governing principles and goals:

To achieve a new, feasible, sustainable, and prosperous social state in New York.

I. Two Universals: This is the foundation, not welfare, but the basic guarantee of modern society.

1. Universal Basic Income (UBI): Ensure that every New York resident has an unconditional basic income of \$1,000 per person per month, which is no less than the poverty line and 16% of the current average income.

2. Universal Free Basic Medical Care (UFBMC): No one loses access to medical care due to poverty or unemployment; medical care is transformed from a personal risk into a public safety guarantee.

II. Six Zeros

This is a result indicator, not a slogan; it is the inevitable direction and outcome of the system.

1. Zero poverty: With a basic income for all citizens, no one's income is below the poverty line.

2. Zero crime: When everyone has at least a basic income and survival is no longer driven to the brink of despair, the breeding ground for crime caused by poverty will disappear.

3. Zero unemployment: Employment is not about "whether or not you have food to eat," but about whether or not you create value. High technology + manufacturing + infrastructure + personal career = an unlimited pool of jobs, where everyone can find work that suits them.

4. Zero homelessness: No one should sleep on the streets in a wealthy place. Homelessness is not a "choice," but a failure of the system.

5. Zero Discrimination: When resource allocation is no longer based on identity, discrimination loses its economic basis, and social distinctions for all people are unrelated to ethnicity or other identities, and no identity distinctions are made.

6. Zero Rent Bully: Paying for consumption is the bottom line of a civilized society. After UBI, no one will be unable to pay rent. Just like other consumption, renting a house requires paying rent.

The "six zeros" do not mean "indulgence," but rather eliminating the conditions that give rise to extreme social problems through the correct system.

III. Two Core Missions

1. Vigorously revitalize the manufacturing industry: Manufacturing industry = highest employment density, strongest technology spillover, most secure supply chain, and guaranteed source of daily necessities.

2. Comprehensive development of infrastructure: housing, transportation, energy, communications, and public spaces. Infrastructure is not an expenditure but an asset, ensuring people's basic needs.

IV. Three Absolutes

This is a red line of the system, and there is no room for compromise.

1. Absolute protection of private property: This is the premise of markets, investment, innovation, order, and human rights. Without property rights, there is no civilization or long-term development.

2. Guaranteed basic income: New York residents are guaranteed basic income without any conditions or distinctions based on individual circumstances. This is a social security system that applies equally to everyone.

3. Absolutely guarantee development, progress and prosperity: Oppose any policy that, in the name of "protection," actually hinders development, and continue to move forward to achieve development and prosperity.

V. One Ultimate Goal

Achieving "Sociological Immortality": Sociological immortality $\neq$ Biological immortality. It is not about someone living for 200 years, but about no one dying because of poverty, lack of proper medical treatment for disease, unemployment, homelessness, or systemic failure. This is a society's most basic respect for life and the ultimate goal of human civilization.

Specifically, our main policy objectives are as follows:

1. Universal Basic Income (UBI): This program aims to provide a universal basic income, with no eligibility requirements, by unconditionally distributing \$33 per day (approximately \$1,000 per month) to every New York resident. This ensures everyone has a basic cash income at least above the poverty line, fundamentally eliminating poverty. Funding will come from 16% of New York State's current per capita income (the average monthly income for New York residents is \$6,250).
2. Universal Free Basic Medical Care: Free basic medical care is provided to all New York residents, ensuring everyone has access to basic medical care. Access to medical care is a fundamental survival need for everyone; currently, approximately 5% of New York State's population lacks medical insurance.
3. Zero poverty: By ensuring that all residents can maintain a basic standard of living through universal basic income, poverty can be eliminated at its root.
4. Zero Crime: Adhere to law enforcement and social security construction, have zero tolerance for crime, and eliminate poverty-related crimes through measures such as poverty eradication, thereby improving the safety level of communities, subways and business environments.
5. Zero unemployment: With a basic income guarantee for all citizens, everyone can participate in work according to their own abilities and will not lose their basic living security due to the level of wages.
6. Zero Homelessness: By providing basic housing for every New York resident through universal basic income, the problem of homelessness and the social issues it causes will be fundamentally solved.
7. Zero Discrimination: Eliminate all forms of discrimination, including discrimination based on race, religion, culture, gender, age, identity, and wealth, and promote social fairness and equality.
8. Zero-rent bully policy: With the implementation of a universal basic income, the excuse of being unable to pay rent will no longer exist. Renters must pay rent on time and at the agreed price, just like other consumers, to maintain a fair and healthy housing rental market. Just as with other forms of unpaid consumer expenses, specialized housing courts will become unnecessary.
9. Revitalize the manufacturing industry: Manufacturing is the production of basic necessities. Promoting the development of the manufacturing industry will improve product quality, reduce production costs, enhance international competitiveness, and increase social wealth.
10. Vigorously develop infrastructure: Continuously construct and maintain housing, roads, bridges, subways, production and office buildings, parks and public transportation, and continuously improve the level of infrastructure.
11. Abolish the minimum wage policy: Work is a fundamental right and a necessity for survival for everyone. Those who cannot create value equal to or higher than the minimum wage also have the right to work and the right to receive wages commensurate with the value they create per unit of time. With a universal basic income guaranteeing a basic standard of living, everyone can work according to their abilities and receive corresponding income.
12. Abolish Property Tax: Wealth takes many forms, such as real estate, savings, stocks, jewelry, cars, yachts, furniture, and clothing. Property tax is the only tax levied on wealth ownership, which is unreasonable and restricts the development of the real estate industry and housing improvement, as well as limiting people's ability to purchase real estate. With the powerful development of modern technological productivity, the conditions for abolishing property tax have been met.
13. Eliminate work permit policy: Work is an integral part of human life. With enhanced identity verification and management, everyone will no longer need a work permit to work.
14. Abolish government housing: Sell existing government housing to current residents at a discounted price, and cease constructing new government housing. Strengthen housing reform, allowing housing to fully return to the market and improve the efficiency of housing resource utilization.
15. Eliminate tipping: Incorporate tipping into product pricing to ensure customers receive fair and equitable service and a positive consumer environment.
16. Build public restrooms: New York State will build 6,000 public restrooms that are open 24 hours a day and free of charge; all public service establishments, including government agencies, organizations, companies, restaurants, shops, etc., must have their restrooms open unconditionally and free of charge to all users (whether employees, customers, or passersby) during business hours and must not be locked.

17. The government is responsible for sanitation across all public areas—including the public spaces in front of private residential entrances and all government owned properties. It will address poor sanitary conditions and step up sanitation efforts in every area. Across New York, necessary road repairs and cleaning operations will be carried out promptly and without delay.
18. Drug prohibition: Scientific evidences show that drug use damages health and causes serious social problems, and is therefore unacceptable to society.
19. Gun Control: With current military technology and weaponry, civilian firearms are virtually ineffective against government tyranny and foreign military forces. Hunting is not in line with modern animal protection principles, and there is no need to use private firearms to protect private property (especially in urban areas).
20. Consumption Must Be Paid: All commercial consumption must be paid for, including dining, shopping, renting accommodation, and air travel. With the implementation of a universal basic income, everyone has a basic income, thus eliminating the incentive for unpaid consumption.
21. Uniform Tax Rate: A uniform tax rate means that everyone pays the same tax rate. After implementing a universal basic income, there is no need to levy different tax rates on people with different incomes, and the situation of high income and high tax contribution will still exist.
22. Eliminate racial discrimination: Government departments, companies, schools and other organizations should not make racial distinctions in the recruitment, admission and promotion process, thereby promoting social inclusion, encouraging government, schools and enterprises to continuously improve fair competition mechanisms, promoting social integration and development, and achieving racial integration and equality as well as social, economic and technological development.
23. Reorganize welfare management: Welfare distribution will be more rationally integrated, and welfare management will be strengthened. After the implementation of the universal basic income system, everyone will enjoy basic living security, and unnecessary welfare benefits will be eliminated.
24. Strengthen policing and the judiciary: Improve social order and security. With the implementation of a universal basic income system, everyone will receive a basic income, eliminating the justification for crime stemming from poverty, and policing and the judiciary will be strictly enforced.
25. The correct purpose of education: The core purpose of education is to impart scientific and technological knowledge, skills, and moral character; the core purpose of work is to create more social wealth and value, not rights.
26. Comprehensive development: Strengthen basic education, higher education, vocational education, scientific and technological innovation, and industrial chain construction.
27. Boost economic growth: Support high-tech companies as well as large, medium and small enterprises to drive economic growth; significantly increase New York's GDP and per capita wealth; eliminate the fiscal deficit; fully develop a market-based free economic system; establish more free markets and street businesses; and encourage all forms of commodity exchange and trade.
28. Leverage New York's strengths: Fully utilize New York's advantages in politics, economy, education, culture, science, technology, finance, industry, agriculture, geography, tourism, and human resources, and leverage its central position and superior conditions on the world stage; strengthen international exchanges and cooperation.
29. Improve laws and regulations: Conduct a comprehensive review of laws and regulations, correct unreasonable or unjust clauses, and promote the construction of a more equitable, reasonable, and efficient legal system.
30. Improve and strengthen international relations: In particular, actively promote broader economic, educational, scientific and technological and cultural cooperation with countries and regions such as Canada, Mexico, China, and Europe.
31. Achieving sociological immortality: Promoting the establishment of a society that highly values life, eliminating preventable deaths caused by social factors such as poverty and lack of basic medical security, and ensuring that social systems always take the protection of life and the promotion of the all-round development of people as their core, thus achieving sociological immortality !

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Thank you all for your continued support!

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