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Dear Resident,

There are significant worrisome demographic changes taking shape in Nassau County that will affect our local economy. This report attempts to highlight these trends and suggests possible initiatives to reverse the exodus of our young adults, restore economic vitality, and create good paying jobs.

The report demonstrates that by 2024 the Nassau County's;

1. Overall population will decline by approximately 3% from 2012
2. School age children (0-9) population segment will decline by over 60,000 or 30% compared to 2000.
3. Senior population segment (60+years of age) will increase to 27% of the total compared to 19% in 2000.

The report offers a vision for Long Island which can restore economic vitality and reverse the "brain drain" and population decline by providing exciting career opportunities. The report makes the case that we should draw on our natural advantages to become the Health Care and Medical research capitol of the world. This is where people would want to come for the best treatments and where the cures of the future will be discovered.

We hope that the demographic trends and the economic vision being offered serve only as a starting point to a public discussion on the issues facing Long Island. Your participation in this debate is critical. I look forward to hearing your thoughts.

Sincerely yours,

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