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Kinda Thomas realized her call to duty and her need to protect the citizens of her country on the front lines. Her bravery is unmatched, as she sacrificed the majority of her life to serve in the military to protect the freedom and interests of the United States of America.

Ms. Thomas joined the Marine Corps in 1996 and served until 2004 in consecutive tours of duty. During these tours she fought and served courageously. Her bravery and self-sacrifice kept her and her fellow Marines in good spirits and ready to face each day with determination and a smile.

Upon ending her last active duty tour, Ms. Thomas enrolled in Brooklyn College and completed a Baccalaureate in Sociology with a minor in Human Resource Management and Diversity. Since then, she has worked in an administrative capacity for the City University of New York, and interned at the Office of the Manhattan Borough President while working on her Master's in Social Work.

Ms. Thomas' call to help others in need did not end with her military service. She is tirelessly committed to working with people to organize improvements to the environment and their neighborhoods.

Since leaving work with the City, Ms. Thomas has worked with Rapid Realty, Cityscapes Realty and EXIT Realty to help New Yorkers find affordable housing. She believes that every man, woman and child deserves not only their freedom, but also the ability to live in decent, affordable and comfortable housing. She says, "Working with diverse people gives me a thrill, and I feel an immense sense of gratification when I am able to help others to accomplish their goals."