



# *Women of* **DISTINCTION** HONORING WOMEN IN NEW YORK

*The Honorable Mary E. Adams*

Mary E. Adams is the owner of Century 21 Adams Real Estate and the Mayor of the Village of Babylon, where she previously served as Trustee.

When Hurricane Sandy devastated the waterfront community, she worked tirelessly to assist in recovery efforts, and was on the New York Rising Community Reconstruction Committee.

She was responsible for Parks and Recreation programming, and was involved in the Budget Committee, Newcomers Committee, and the Babylon Village Volunteer Corps.

Recognizing early on that the COVID-19 pandemic would be challenging, she worked with the Village to create a task force to respond to the needs of the community and business district, worked to issue outdoor dining permits quickly, and held continuous Zoom meetings to keep residents and business owners updated.

Mayor Adams worked on expanding programs for children and families, and under her direction, the Village held its first Pickleball Tournament, which continues today with over 100 teams from all over Long Island and Queens.

She led the way with the Babylon Beautification Society as the Village of Babylon received the honor and designation of becoming a "Tree City, USA" for the first time, adding value to the neighborhoods and recognition to the community.

A small business owner for three decades, she joined the Chamber of Commerce and took a leadership role to assist and promote business and revenue. She served as the Treasurer of the Babylon Beautification Society and Chairperson of the Babylon Tuna Club – the first woman ever! She is Past President of the Long Island Board of Realtors, Multiple Listing Service Past President of Suffolk County, sat as the Grievance Chairperson for the New York State Association of Realtors, was a Chairperson for the Professional Standards Committee of the Long Island Board of Realtors, and sat on the Legislative Committee for the Long Island Board of Realtors and New York State Association of Realtors.

When the former Mayor suddenly passed away, she was appointed in October 2020 and took the reins of the Village and moved forward. In June 2021, she was faced with a personal challenge when she was diagnosed with endometrial cancer. She credits her doctors for saving her life through surgery, chemotherapy, and radiation. Still running a real estate business as well as a Village, Mayor Adams came to learn just how strong she truly is.

***The Honorable Mary E. Adams was selected as a  
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