

## **New York State YMCA Youth & Government 2018 – 2019 OFFICER NOMINATION**

I declare my candidacy for the position of:

**Speaker of Assembly Liberty**

**Name: Zarib Alam**

**Year in school: 10**

**Number of years in Y&G: 2**

**Previous Youth and Government experience and/or other qualifications:**

I am a dedicated:

- Bill Sponsor – 2017 & 2018
- Elected Representative at Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Foundation (HOBY)
- Member of Student Council
- Mock Trial Participant (Attorney)
- Community and Red Cross Volunteer



Throughout those experiences, I have learned the value of assertive and attentive leadership and the equality of every opinion in our delegation. I believe that leaders of that caliber are much needed in our program and as Speaker, I will strive to be an impartial, assertive, and attentive leader.

**If you were faced with a bill topic that goes against your personal standpoint, how would you effectively handle the matter?**

As a delegate of New York, it is my duty is to view every topic objectively and with the best interests our state in mind, regardless of my personal opinion. I hold that every opinion is equal in the matter of debate and that those differences are crucial in the creation of effective and positive reforms. As Speaker, I will act as a mediator between the bill sponsors and delegation and I will ensure that parliamentary procedure is reaffirmed, so that every opinion is given an opportunity to be voiced.

**Define servant leadership and describe how you plan to incorporate this if elected into office:**

To lead as a servant is to selflessly prioritize the community over the individual, lead by positive example, and treat everyone impartially. As Speaker, I will strive to exemplify servant leadership and reaffirm that paramount value in our delegation. To incorporate servant leadership and progress Assembly Liberty, I plan to mediate debate and parliamentary conduct efficiently and impartially while acknowledging every opinion. For Assembly Liberty, my ultimate goals, as Speaker, are to provide an opportunity for every opinion to be heard and to ensure the passage of the most effective of bills.