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If relationships are a currency on Long Island, business owners have ties to foster, given the sweeping red wave voters brought in during last week's election.

The Election Day outcome gave Republicans control of the Suffolk County Legislature, and expanded its majority in Nassau County. Republicans also won the two district attorney races in both counties, as well as took the Nassau County comptroller seat. And while there are still 19,859 absentee ballots to be counted in Nassau, Bruce Blakeman, a Republican, has declared victory in the county executive race, while incumbent Laura Curran, a Democrat, has yet to concede.

There's been much finger-pointing, from voters speaking out against leadership in Washington, DC, to New York's bail reform law, to who ran the better campaign and more.

But while these debates rage on, as new faces take on government leadership roles, it is business as usual for most owners.

Local experts shared insights with Long Island Business News on what the red wave might mean for the business community in the region.



**MICHAEL DAWIDZIAK:** 'For the business community, it might mean that elected officials in Washington and Albany will take notice of the suburbs.'

