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## Ex-teacher joins race for City Council

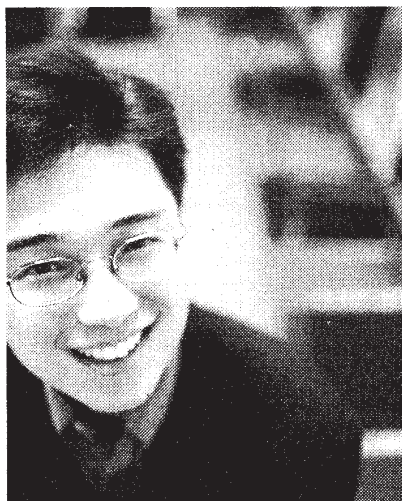
Sam Yoon, a Korean-American who hopes to be the first Asian to hold citywide office in Boston, announced yesterday his candidacy for city councilor at large.

He campaigned unofficially for months but made his candidacy formal yesterday at the Golden Leaf Restaurant in Chinatown.

A former public school teacher, Yoon said he'll campaign on issues including more school funding and smaller, more intimate learning communities in the classroom.

"All my life, I've felt the call to service," he said in a statement. "I taught in public schools in some of the toughest cities in our nation. I have devoted my career to helping communities come together to take control of their own future."

Yoon, a Dorchester resident, has worked on affordable housing



**Sam Yoon says he will work for more affordable housing.**

initiatives in some of Boston's struggling neighborhoods for 10 years. Yoon said that if he is elected, he will fight to protect low-income tenants and create more affordable housing in the city.

"We need to make it possible for all our fellow residents to make a good life for themselves and their families, without breaking the bank," Yoon said.

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