

Contractor offers to rebuild for free

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Touched by the plight of the families devastated by last week's deadly Bronx fire, a Long Island contractor has offered to rebuild their charred home for free.

Marc Marinoff, co-owner of M. Marin Restoration, has left word for building owner Moussa Magassa that he will take on the extensive work needed to salvage the four-story brick home at 1022 Woodycrest Ave.

"My heart tells me to do this," said Marinoff, whose Valley Stream-based company specializes in fire restoration. "There are plenty of jobs you can do and get paid for, but doing this will be its own reward."

"I'll get suppliers to donate items as well, and my company will take this on as our top job," said Marinoff, 55, who inspected the site last night. "The building can be restored. We've saved ones in worse shape than this."

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