

May 10, 2019

Greetings ---

I was proud to rally with tenants, activists, and legislators last week on the steps of City Hall to support the reform of our rent laws and repeal some of the most onerous provisions (preferential rent, vacancy bonus, MCI adjustments and IAI adjustments). Preserving affordable, stable and fair housing is one of the most urgent issues to be taken up by State government this year. Rent regulations laws are set to expire on June 15 and a package of bills is pending in Albany that would strengthen and expand tenant protections. I cosponsored many of them and fully support protecting the rights of the one million rent stabilized tenants in the city. New York lost more than 284,000 stabilized apartments between 1994 and 2016, according to the Rent Guidelines Board. Those losses can be accounted for through the lax enforcement of laws that protect tenants and loopholes for landlords. I am hopeful that this year we can close loopholes and gaps in the law to protect and expand affordable housing resources.



The Brooklyn Answer Fair!

Get real-time, in-person answers and information from dozens of city and state agencies, utilities and city-wide and neighborhood services and resources! Also -- **FREE rain barrels**, **FREE document shredding**, and other helpful giveaways and opportunities! Engage with representatives from Transportation, Environmental Protection, Parks, MTA, Brooklyn Solar, Finance, Sanitation, Verizon, Fire, Police, ConEd, Buildings, National Grid, Homeless Services and many MORE.

Got Questions? Get to The Brooklyn Answer Fair 2019!

Sunday, May 19 from 11am-2pm at PS 130 The Parkside School 713 Caton Avenue.

Got Questions? Come to Assemblymember Robert Carroll's Annual Brooklyn Answer Fair





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11 AM to 2 PM P.S. 130 | The Parkside School 713 Caton Avenue

(between East 7th & East 8th Street) F/G train to Ft. Hamilton Parkway | B68, B16 or B103 bus





. by calling Assemblymember Robert Carroll's District Office at 718-788-7221or email carrollr@nyassembly.gov

Critical Environmental Legislation Passed to Commemorate Earth Day

I am committed to protecting New York's air and water quality and the health and well-being of all New Yorkers. To honor that commitment, I co-sponsored many of the bills in a broad reaching package of environmental legislation that passed to commemorate Earth Day. The federal government continues to roll back protections for the environment, but in New York State we understand how urgently we need to safeguard clean air and water; to protect our children and our land from dangerous chemical contaminants, to protect vulnerable communities from shouldering an unfair environmental burden, and to protect vulnerable species. There is always more work to be done, but I am proud of the strides we made in this legislative session:

I co-sponsored (A.2064), an amendment to the New York State Constitution that ensures clean water and air are treated as fundamental rights for New Yorkers, protecting both the environment and public health. And I co-sponsored (A.2286) that raises water-efficiency standards for plumbing fixtures. By improving our water-efficiency this bill helps New York maintain our plentiful supply of fresh water, as well as our economic edge.

A.1779 would require the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) to publish a list every two years of geographic areas in the state that are adversely affected by existing environmental hazards, Historically, communities with existing environmental hazards have frequently been selected for the placement of new projects, presumably due to the belief that the "incremental" adverse environmental impact would be less in such an area than in an area with fewer existing environmental problems. This process can compound environmental hazards for a small geographical area, often disproportionately affecting low-income communities and people of color. The bill recognizes the importance of considering such cumulative impacts. I co-sponsored A.2477-B which bans the use of the pesticide chlorpyrifos. There has been extensive scientific research into chlorpyrifos, which is toxic to the human brain and nervous system, and is especially dangerous for children, infants and women who are pregnant.

I co-sponsored A.6296-A which will regulate toxic chemicals in children's products, requiring notification to consumers about children's products containing chemicals of concern, as well as banning children's products containing dangerous chemicals like organohalogen flame retardants, tris and asbestos. A.2501-A reduces the amount of mercury in light bulbs. A.6600 would give the DEC commissioner the ability to protect species by designating animals, like the giraffe, as vulnerable species and banning the sale of items made from the such species.

I'll continue working to make New York a national leader in protecting the environment and in protecting the health of its citizens.

Windsor Terrace Library Update

As you may know, the Windsor Terrace public library has been closed for renovations since Febuary 1st. The Brooklyn Public Library continues to offer children's programming at local community spaces and this month have begun to offer senior programming at PS 130, which is something that I have been advocating for since the closure was announced. A calendar of upcoming events can be found here.

Caton Avenue Construction Update



I met with officials from the Department Of Environmental Protection to explore a solution to the closed sidewalk on the Caton Avenue overpass. A number of options were explored and I proposed a solution that would allow a protected walkway alongside the current construction which would allow access to the cross walks on both sides of the overpass and still provide space for the ongoing work. Stay tuned for updates and please call my office at 718-788-7221 with concerns and questions.

Upcoming Community Calendar:

The PTA Fun Run

Saturday, May 11 at 10 AM

Number pickup and pre race activities will begin at 9:00 AM in the Bartel-Pritchard entrance.

The PTA 5K Fun Run has brought together hundreds of parents, teachers, and students from scores of Brooklyn schools and beyond to run/walk/stroll/toddle 5-kilometers through Prospect Park for over a decade. It has become a rite of spring for so many local schools – not only for the funds it raises for our PTAs, but for the community it builds.

For more info: https://nycruns.com/races/?race=brooklyn-pta-fun-run

12TH ANNUAL

BROOKLYN PTA FUKSCHOULS

RUN, WALK, STROLL OR TODDLE THROUGH PROSPECT PARK TO SUPPORT BROOKLYN SCHOOLS. COMPETITIVE RUNNERS & FAMILIES ALIKE!

SATURDAY, MAY 11 @ PROSPECT PARK REGISTRATION & SIGN-IN AT 9 AM. RACE BEGINS AT 10 AM.

Last year, \$22,000 was shared among qualifying schools.

We can do it again, plus some more!

For information and registration:

https://nycruns.com/races/?race=brooklyn-pta-fun-run

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The PS 10 STEAM FAIR

Saturday May 11th, 11am-4pm - 7th Ave and 17th Street



Community Board 14 Monthly Meeting

Monday, May 13, 7:30pm

Murrow High School

East 17th Street (between Avenue L & Avenue M)

Open to community members. The <u>CB 14</u> board meeting is typically scheduled on the second Monday of the month at different locations during the year.

72nd Precinct Community Council

Tuesday, May 14, 7:30pm

Marien-Heim Senior Center

4520 4th Avenue

Open to community members. The <u>72nd Precinct Community Council</u> meetings typically take place on the second Tuesday of each month.

Community Board 7 Monthly Meeting

Wednesday, May 15, 6:30pm

CB 7 Office

4201 4th Avenue, entrance on 43rd Street

Open to community members. The <u>CB 7</u> monthly meeting is typically scheduled on the third Wednesday of the month at the CB 7 office but location moves around occasionally.

66th Precinct Community Council

Thursday, May 16, 7:30pm

CB 12 Office

5910 13th Avenue

Open to community members. The 66th <u>Precinct Community Council</u> meetings typically take place on the third Thursday of each month at 7:30pm at CB 12's office.

PS 295 Touch A Truck

Saturday, May 18th, 11am to 5pm - 18th Street between 5th and 6th Avenues



Prospect Park Alliance: Spring Fling

May 17–19, All Day

On May 17–19, Prospect Park Alliance celebrates spring in Prospect Park with a full weekend of special events and activities that brings together the entire community! Enjoy a staged reading of Molière's The Misanthrope featuring Orange is the New Black actress Samira Wiley and a themed '90s roller disco featuring Lola Star, watch an 1860s-style ballgame, bring the whole family to the Alliance's Spring Fling Fair, and get active with trail running, birdwatching, a park history walking tour and much more! Looking for even more fun? All weekend long, visit the Prospect Park Zoo for sheep shearing demonstrations, plus enjoy boating, biking and roller skating at the LeFrak Center at Lakeside and get your fill of unique eats at Smorgasburg. Click here for a full calendar of events and locations.

Twilight Stroll on Cortelyou Road

Saturday, May 11 - Friday, May 17th

Shop, Dine & Save! Use your Twilight Stroll lanyard to enjoy a full week of discounts and savings at local stores.

Check in and receive your event lanyard badge at

1021 Cortelyou-Brooklyn ARTery

Brooklyn, NY 11218

Contact: Susan Siegel 347-425-7770 <u>Brooklynartery@gmail.com</u>

http://FDConline.org

See you around the neighborhood,

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Terrace Artists. This is the eleventh installation that the PSWT has exhibited at our office, and this month it features work from seniors around the district!



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