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Jill Biden: What Ukrainian Mothers Taught Me About This War

You cannot go into a war zone and not come away unchanged. You don't have to see the sorrow with your eyes because you can feel it with your heart.

The thing about grief is that it veils one's face. It's like a haze has descended. The tears of the mothers stay permanently on the edges of their eyes, as if they can barely contain their sadness. They grasp their children's hands or touch their hair as if they can't bear to lose the physical connection. They wear brave faces, but their emotion is portrayed in the slope of their shoulders, the nervousness in their bodies.

Something is missing – laughter, a common language among women.

The Ukrainian mothers at the Romanian and Slovak schools I visited told me about the horrors of the bombs that fell night after night as they sought to find refuge during their journey westward. Many had to live days without food and sunlight, harbored in basements underground.

A young mother I met in Uzhhorod, Ukraine, told me that when she and her family ventured out in search of food, Russian soldiers would shoot into the lines of people waiting for a piece of bread. These Ukrainian mothers were so grateful to the people of Romania and Slovakia for their support. As another mother, Anna, told me, there are "no borders for our hearts."

The border guards told me stories of thousands of people with few belongings who crossed into Slovakia – a desperate sea of humanity, whose lives were forever changed on February 24, the date of Russia's further invasion of an unjust war that began years ago.

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St. John's University Celebrates Street Co-Naming Honoring 152-Year Legacy



Pictured at St. John's University (SJU) recent street co-naming ceremony, at the intersection of Utopia Parkway and Union Turnpike, honoring the school's 152-year legacy is SJU President Reverend Brian J. Shanley, SJU Executive Director of University Relations Brian Brown, SJU Vice-President for Community Relations Joseph Sciamé, SJU Students, and NYC Councilman James Gennaro who spearheaded the co-naming initiative in the City Council in cooperation with SJU and Community Board 8. (Photo courtesy of SJU). See story on page 2.

QCBA 2022 Annual Dinner And Installation of Officers



The Queens County Bar Association (QCBA) was able, this year, to hold their annual dinner and installation of officers. Due to the Covid pandemic, this event was placed on hold since the last dinner in 2019. The event was held at the Terrace-on-the-Park in Corona Heights, NY. This event has been an annual celebration of the organization. The swearing in

ceremony of the new QCBA President Adam Orlow is being sworn in by his cousin Judge Jodi Orlow Mackoff. QCBA President Adam Orlow commented to the gathering that one of his main goals was in diversifying the bar and to increase potential members' involvement in the legal community of Queens. Photo by Walter Karling. See other photos on page 7.

Plaza College New Nursing Program Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony



Pictured at the Plaza College ribbon-cutting ceremony with the college's new nursing program nursing students are Queens Borough President Donovan Richards, NYS Senator Joseph Addabbo, Assemblymember David Weprin, NYS Senator Toby Ann Stavisky, Councilmember Lynn Schulman, program leader of Plaza College's nursing program Dr. Francine Laterza, Plaza College Provost Chad Callahan, Plaza College President Chuck Callahan, CEO of Health and Hospitals/Elmhurst Helen Arteaga Landaverde and administrators. See story on page 3.

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In the cold of February, many came without shoes, walking for miles upon miles. They were fleeing in fear, carrying one wish of being able to return home. One 11-year-old came by himself with a phone number to contact his family written on his hand. And then there were their pets making the journey with them. "We weren't ready for that," the guards told me.

Olena Zelenska, the wife of Ukraine's President, came out of hiding, leaving her own children, to visit with me and ask for help for the people of her country. She didn't ask me for food or clothing or weapons. She asked me to help her get mental health care for all those suffering from the effects of Vladimir Putin's senseless and brutal war.

She told me of the rapes of women and children, and the



US First Lady Jill Biden (l) and Ukraine President Volodymyr Zelenskyy's wife Olena Zelenska (r) join a group of children making tissue-paper bears for Mothers Day gifts at School 6, a public school that has taken in displaced students in Uzhhorod during an unannounced visit of Jill Biden to Ukraine.

many children who had seen home quickly," she told me. "I people shot and killed, their homes burned. "I want to return (Continued on page 3)

Meng & Schulman Visit Restaurant of Food Delivery Worker Shot And Killed

Lawmakers facilitate meeting with owner and 112th Precinct and meet with detectives investigating the case

U.S. Rep. Grace Meng (D-Queens) and New York City Councilwoman Lynn Schulman (D-Queens) announced today that they visited the Great Wall Chinese restaurant in Forest Hills where Zhiwen Yan worked. Yan, 45, was the food delivery worker who was shot and killed a week-and-a-half ago while making a delivery on his scooter.

Meng and Shulman took part in a meeting they facilitated with the restaurant's owner and the commanding officer of 112th Precinct to discuss safety concerns, and ways to improve security. The two lawmakers also visited other nearby business owners on Queens Boulevard to talk about how they can better protect themselves and their employees.

In addition, Meng and Schulman met at the site with the detectives investigating the case.

"Zhiwen Yan was well known and beloved by many in the community, and our hearts continue to ache for his family," said Meng



Congresswoman Meng and Councilwoman Schulman talking with the owner of the Great Wall Chinese restaurant in Forest Hills.

and Schulman. "This was such a horrible and senseless tragedy, and we are confident that the person responsible will be apprehended and brought to justice. We thank the 112th Precinct for continuing its investigation into this terrible crime, and for addressing safety in the area with local businesses. We remain committed to helping Zhiwen's loved ones in any way

we can."

Meng is currently working to help secure a visa for the mother of Yan's wife so that she can travel to New York from China to attend the funeral, which has been scheduled for May 24.

The Congresswoman also met with Yan's family at their Middle Village home the day after he was killed.

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The dedication ceremony which was originally planned as part of the school's 150th anniversary celebration but was repeatedly delayed by the COVID-19 pandemic took place this year at the southwest corner of the intersection of Union Turnpike and Utopia Parkway in Hillcrest which has been co-named St. John's Way, just steps away from the campus, paying homage to the enduring legacy of the 152-year-old Catholic and Vincentian University.

"The founding Vincentian mission of St. John's was to provide

quality Catholic education to immigrants and their children," SJU President Reverend Brian J. Shanley said. "Our continuing mission is to be a place of upward mobility and life-changing education — and that will always be the St. John's Way." He explained the origin of the word "utopia," coined by St. Thomas More, and how the pursuit of education examines how humanity can improve.

"We stand at the intersection of Utopia and Union," Shanley said. "Where St. John's meets the community is right here on this corner, so these three names — St. John's,

Utopia and Union — mark the mission of St. John's. We are meant to stay here. We are meant to emerge thinking about utopias and helping them to become realized in our community."

Founded in 1870 in Brooklyn, St. John's first established a foothold in Queens when it purchased the Hillcrest Golf Course and some adjacent lot of land in 1936 for \$510,000. Delays in development, the onset of World War II, kept the property operating as a golf course until New Year's Eve, 1953. Construction on the first building on the Queens campus began in 1954 and classes began a year later.

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Attorney General James Calls for Full Cancellation of Federal Student Loan Debt

In Letter, AG James and Multistate Coalition Urge President Biden to Cancel All Publicly Held Debts for Student Borrowers

New York Attorney General Letitia James led a multistate coalition of eight attorneys general in urging U.S. President Joe Biden to fully cancel federal student debt owed by every federal student loan borrower in the country. In a letter to President Biden, Attorney General James and the coalition stress that immediate relief is needed for borrowers struggling with the unmanageable burden of student loan debt. The attorneys general acknowledge the administration's commitment to addressing the issue, however, the coalition urges President Biden to immediately exercise his authority under the Higher Education Act to cancel all federal student loan debt for every borrower.

"While I commend President Biden for giving serious consideration to forgiving \$10,000 per borrower, we must take bolder, more decisive action to end this crisis and provide Americans with the tools they need to thrive," said Attorney General James. "Student debt keeps millions of struggling borrowers from reaching financial stability and leads to a cycle of financial burdens that follow them throughout their lives. I join my colleagues in urging President Biden to lead one of the most impactful racial and economic justice initiatives in history by canceling this debt, in its entirety, for all."

Currently, student borrowers owe more than \$1.7 trillion to the federal government. In their letter, the coalition argues that a full cancellation of student debt is necessary to address the sheer enormity of debts owed, systemically

flawed repayment and forgiveness systems, and the disproportionate impact of the debt burden on millions of borrowers. While state attorneys general have taken key actions to ease debt burdens wherever possible, the coalition contends that only permanent action by the Biden administration can provide the widespread relief that is needed by millions of federal student loan borrowers.

The coalition further argues that the cancellation of federal student loan debts will reduce stress and mental fatigue and provide countless opportunities for borrowers, such as saving for retirement and purchasing new homes.

Joining Attorney General James in sending the letter to President Biden are the attorneys general of Hawaii, Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, New Mexico, Puerto Rico, and Washington.

The coalition's letter is the latest action Attorney General James has taken to support student loan borrowers. In April 2022, Attorney General James secured student debt relief for thousands of New York borrowers whose federal loans were allegedly mismanaged by the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency. In January 2022, Attorney General James secured a \$1.85 billion agreement with one of the nation's largest student loan servicers, Navient, after it deceived thousands of student loan borrowers into costly, long-term, forbearance plans, causing students to pay more than they should have.

In September 2021, Attorney General James sent a letter to the U.S. Department of Education, urging the agency to take robust action to fix the broken Public Service Loan Forgiveness program.

July 2020, Attorney General

James and a multistate coalition sued the Trump Administration's U.S. Department of Education and former Education Secretary Betsy DeVos to block their efforts to repeal critical protections for student-borrowers who have been misled or defrauded by predatory for-profit schools.

Additionally, in June 2020, Attorney General James filed a multistate lawsuit to stop the Department of Education and Secretary DeVos from repealing the "Gainful Employment" rule, which provides critical protections to students considering enrolling in for-profit colleges and vocational schools that promise students "gainful employment in a recognized occupation" after graduation.

In January 2019, Attorney General James and the New York state Department of Financial Services obtained a \$9 million agreement with a federal student loan servicer, ACS Education Services (currently known as Conduent Education Services), after an investigation revealed that the company had steered borrowers away from income-based repayment plans toward more expensive options.

Additionally, Attorney General James helped negotiate two multistate agreements with loan companies — Student CU Connect CUSO in June 2019 and PEAKS in September 2020 — that preyed on ITT Technical Institute students by deceiving them into taking out private student loans. These agreements resulted in \$7.5 million in debt relief to nearly 900 New York ITT students. In April 2021, Attorney General James urged the U.S. Department of Education to cancel federal student loan debt of defrauded ITT Technical Institute students.

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only want to hold the hands of my children."

We wished each other Happy Mother's Day. I told her I was in Ukraine to show Ukrainian mothers that we were standing with them, and I was carrying the hearts of the American people with me. "Thank you," Zelenska

responded, "the Ukrainians are so grateful for the support of the American people."

Kahlil Gibran once wrote, "The deeper that sorrow carves into your being, the more joy you can contain." My hope is that this is true for the mothers I met. But that can only happen when this war ends.

Mr. Putin, please end this senseless and brutal war.

Assemblyman Colton Strongly Continues To Raise His Voice Against Crime

Assemblyman William Colton (D – Gravesend, Bensonhurst, Bath Beach, and Dyker Heights) strongly continues to raise his voice against crime.

"I always have taken crime very seriously and have been proactively fighting against it in the neighborhood. I have spoken out fiercely against hate crimes, crimes against neighborhood businesses, and quality of life crimes. I am urging everyone to report any crimes and cooperate with providing the necessary information they may know so that our neighborhood can continue to be kept a low crime area," Colton stated.

"I have long supported our police and worked with the 62nd Pct. to protect our families. Fortunately, crime has been kept low in our neighborhood. Thanks to the 62nd Pct. for responding promptly to the concerns of the neighborhood merchants about shoplifting in their businesses. Police vehicles are on or around commercial

streets such as Kings Highway, Bay Parkway, or Avenue U. Shoplifters should be beware that when they are going into a store to steal they may find themselves facing a police officer when they exit with their unpaid merchandise," Colton continued.

"I always did and will continue to support our police and make my voice heard for more funding for the police so they can do their job more efficiently. We all know that our city is facing a massive problem with the NYC transit system. Many commuters don't feel safe riding the NYC subway. Therefore, I demand that the City and State provide more funding to put Transit Police back into the subways and the subway stations. Such action must be taken immediately to restore a safe public transit system for all. Together, we can bring not just our neighborhood but also our great NYC back to a safe place to live for all," Colton added.

Flushing Town Hall's Popular "Mini-Global Mashups" Extended Through Summer

One of Flushing Town Hall's most in-demand series, Common Ground: Mini-Global Mashups, will continue through the summer of 2022 with a brand new lineup of musicians. The monthly concert series pairs two performers from different musical disciplines and cultural backgrounds together on stage for a collaboration that yields a wholly unique musical experience.

Acclaimed trumpeter and composer Frank London of The Klezmatics, who has performed in Flushing Town Hall's original, large-scale Global Mashups series, returns to curate the summer series.

"Audiences can look forward to enjoying phenomenal, world-class performers whose music is tied to their traditions but simultaneously modernized and fused with other musical elements that expand their borders," says Frank London.

"We are thrilled to continue this beloved, world music series," says Flushing Town Hall's Executive & Artistic Director Ellen Kodadek. "This is what Flushing Town Hall does best—we bring diverse communities together on common ground, through the arts."

Next up in the 2022 Common

Ground: Mini-Global Mashups series is Ireland Meets Morocco on Sunday, May 15 at 1 PM ET, featuring Cillian Vallely and Samir Langus, accompanied by multi-instrumentalist Matt Mancuso.

Cillian Vallely is the uilleann pipes and low whistle player with the renowned Irish band Lunasa, described as "the hottest Celtic band on the planet" by Irish Voice. In recent years, he has played and recorded with Bruce Springsteen, Natalie Merchant, Mary Chapin-Carpenter, Tim O'Brien, and Rive Dance, in addition to recording as a guest on over 50 albums. With Lunasa, he has performed at The Hollywood Bowl, Glastonbury Festival, WOMAD Aledaide, and Edmonton Folk Festival in addition to multiple tours of Asia, Australia, the U.S., and Europe.

Samir Langus is a Grammy-nominated Gnawa master, born and raised in the city of Agadir, Morocco. Langus learned Gnawa, the southern Moroccan trance music with roots in pre-Islamic animist traditions, from the old masters of Morocco. Langus uses traditional instrumentation such as the lute-like Sintir and the large castanet-type Krakebs to accompany its ancient chants,

but his approach is resolutely innovative. It is a hypnotic take on this ecstatic, trance-inducing tradition that has enthralled and inspired generations of musicians worldwide.

The series then continues throughout the summer, with a new Mini-Global Mashup each month: The Sunday, June 12 concert, Tibet Meets Colombia, will feature Tibetan singer Yungchen Lhamo and Colombian artist Martín Vejarano, who also serves as a teaching artist at Flushing Town Hall, accompanied by guitarist Jorge Iván "Tito" Duarte. The Sunday, July 24 concert, Gospel Meets Côte d'Ivoire, will feature Jewish Gospel singer Joshua Nelson and Ivory Coast dancer, drummer, and Flushing Town Hall teaching artist Vado Diomande. The Sunday, August 21 concert, Ukraine Meets Cuba, will feature Ukrainian bandura (Ukrainian lute/harp) master Julian Kytasty and Cuban artists Danae Blanco and Juan Carlos Formal.

Each concert will be followed by a Q+A conversation between the artists and the audience hosted by Frank London or other special

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Plaza College New Nursing Program Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony

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Plaza College in Forest Hills held a ribbon-cutting ceremony for its new nursing program whose vision for bringing career preparation to communities that began in 1916 at the onset of American involvement in World War I, and 106 years later, a program has come to fruition.

Plaza's 16-month Bachelor of Science in Nursing is designed as an upper-division program whereby students will apply 60 previously earned credits to 60 core nursing credits to complete the B.S. degree.

The nursing program is a further sign that the Queens comeback from the COVID-19 pandemic is well underway.

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Assemblymember González-Rojas Calls For Passage of Legislation to Address Inadequacies In Maternal Mental Health Screening

On Mother's Day and on the final day of Maternal Mental Health Awareness Week and Assemblymember Jessica González-Rojas called for action to address the increasing issue of poor maternal health of New Yorkers. She specifically demanded passage of legislation, A9102, which she is the prime sponsor for to address the problems of underdiagnosis and undertreatment in vulnerable, at-risk populations, particularly Black and Brown women. The State Senate version of the bill passed in the Senate in March of this year. This legislation is supported by the Mental Health Association in New York State and the National Alliance on Mental Illness - New York State.

Maternal mental health conditions are the most common complication in pregnancy and childbirth, affecting one in five women. The risks are significantly higher for new mothers of color; notably, while Black women are twice as likely to experience many of these conditions, they are half as likely to seek help. Maternal mental health conditions such as anxiety disorders, obsessive-compulsive disorder, post-traumatic stress disorder, bipolar illness, and substance use disorders, can create bonding issues between a birthing parent and her baby, contribute to sleep and feeding problems, and cause mental, emotional, developmental, and verbal complica-

tions in children. A large 2020 study published in the Archives of Women's Mental Health found that women of color, including African-American, Asian-American, Native American, multiracial and other non-white individuals, are less likely to be screened for depression, compared with white women, during the postpartum period. As a result, nearly 60 percent of Black and Latina mothers do not receive any treatment or support services for prenatal and postpartum emotional complications. Furthermore, postpartum depression is 40 percent greater in Latina mothers and 80 percent greater in Black mothers living in small cities and rural communities compared to their white counterparts.

Assembly bill, A9102, requires the New York State Office of Mental Health (OMH) and the Department of Health to conduct a study on the inadequacies of existing postpartum depression screening tools to address the underdiagnosis and treatment of women in vulnerable, at-risk populations, particularly Black women. Specifically, the bill would require a group of postpartum experts to conduct a comprehensive study and prepare a report on the differential impacts of postpartum depression screening measures in relation to black and brown women and birthing people. This study will:

- Examine what additional questions or tools could be implemented to minimize disparities found within the current screening protocols.

- Identify racial disparities within existing protocols and screening measures for postpartum depression and mood disorders

- Identify ways to reduce or eliminate transgender and non-binary and racial and ethnic health care discrimination and disparities that contribute to disparities within current postpartum depression screening protocols.

Quote:

"With the passing of Maternal Mental Health Awareness Week, we must recommit ourselves to addressing the dangerous epidemic of poor maternal mental health. There is a serious mental health crisis occurring for Black and Brown mothers and people who give birth. It's been exacerbated by ongoing and compounding stress due to racial inequity and the COVID-10 pandemic. We have to do more for our mothers and for people who give birth because inaction makes us complicit. I'm calling on the legislature to pass my bill, A9102, which will help us to study the inadequacies and disparities of maternal mental health screening tools for Black and Brown women. The time to get this done is now," said Assemblymember Jessica González-Rojas.

Senator James Sanders Jr.'s Statement on Jamaica Mom Killed in Hit-and-Run

State Senator James Sanders Jr. said: "I am profoundly saddened to hear that Florence Ngw, 49, a mom of four, who was hit by a stolen dump truck in Jamaica on Mother's Day passed away this morning. My thoughts and prayers are with her family during this difficult time. This death was the result of a senseless hit-and-run, which could have been prevented. Now the victim's family and children have to suffer the consequences. This is just an awful situation."



Surveillance and cell phone video obtained by Eyewitness News shows the driver accelerating, pinning the woman.

Six More 1960s-Era R-32 Subway Cars Begin Final Journey

New York City Transit Recently Retired the R-32s After 58 Years of Service

Trains Made Their Final Runs in Early January

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) today announced that six of the recently retired R-32 subway cars, nicknamed the Brightliners, sailed across the Hudson River on a Port Authority barge to Jersey City where they will be placed onto CSX freight trains for shipment to Ohio. The Port Authority's cross-harbor car float is the only harbor freight crossing of its kind in the New York-New Jersey metropolitan area and is a key cargo movement option between New Jersey and Long Island, particularly for domestic cargo.

The cars had been disassembled



at an NYNJ rail yard over approximately four days by separating the car bodies from the trucks.

About the R-32s

The R-32s were the first large fleet of mass-produced stainless-

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Lung Association Turns New York Turquoise to Raise Awareness for Lung Cancer, Promote Lifesaving Screening

Organization kicks off Turquoise Takeover week to raise awareness of leading cancer killer

On Sunday (May 8), the American Lung Association in New York is turning the state turquoise to raise awareness of lung cancer and educate more people about lifesaving screening.

The Lung Association's LUNG FORCE initiative's annual Turquoise Takeover celebration (May 8-14) unites America to raise critical awareness of lung cancer, the nation's leading cancer killer. Each year, the organization turns the nation turquoise, the signature color of LUNG FORCE. Here in New York State, we are illuminating major landmarks and buildings turquoise as well as throughout the U.S. including the Hoover Dam, Willis Tower, the Wrigley Building and Tampa Riverwalk. Statewide illuminations include:

- New York City: Hard Rock Cafe in Times Square, Times Square Billboards, 230 Park, The Shoppes at Columbus Circle, One World Trade Center, One Five One West 42nd St, and 1 Bryant Park

- Hudson Valley and Central New York: Mid Hudson Bridge, Binghamton University Library Tower, and the Barclay Damon Building in Syracuse

- Rochester, New York: Legacy Tower, One East Ave ("The Penthouse"), The Metropolitan, Tower280, The Monroe County Building, Joseph A. Floreano Riverside Convention Center, Memorial Art Gallery skylight, Rochester City Hall, The Nathaniel, 300 City Center, Bachelor4M, Buckingham Properties

- Buffalo, New York: Niagara Falls, Roswell Park Cancer Institute, Seneca One Tower, Tonawanda City Hall

- For available illumination images, email Jennifer.Solomon@LUNG.org

"Lung cancer remains the leading cause of cancer deaths among both women and men in our state. In 2022 alone, it is estimated that 14,050 New York residents will be diagnosed with lung cancer. But there is hope. The five-year survival rate – the percentage of people who are still alive five years after being diagnosed – increased by a dramatic 33% in the past ten years," said Trevor Summerfield, Director of Advocacy for the American Lung

Association in New York. "Raising awareness and funds for lung cancer is more important than ever. We encourage our community to get involved in Turquoise Takeover."

Lung cancer screening is key to early diagnosis, and early diagnosis saves lives. Unfortunately, only 6.2% of those at high risk have been screened in New York. This week, the Lung Association also released new creative for the groundbreaking "Saved By The Scan" campaign called A Hope Story. This new public service announcement educates people who smoke and used to smoke about the low-dose CT scan that can detect lung cancer in the early stages, when the disease is more curable.

The "Saved by the Scan" campaign is making a difference. In fact, more than 750,000 Americans have learned if they are at high risk for lung cancer through the online quiz. If you smoke or smoked, learn more about lung cancer screening at SavedByTheScan.org.

Anyone can support Turquoise Takeover by wearing turquoise, helping to raise funds and awareness by signing up for a local LUNG FORCE Walk, including:

- The LUNG FORCE Walk New York City is Saturday, May 21 at South Street Seaport at 9:30 a.m.

- The LUNG FORCE Walk Westchester, on Saturday, June 25, at Manhattanville College, at 9:30 a.m.

- The LUNG FORCE Walk Buffalo, on Saturday October 1 at Buffalo Harbor State Park at 9am

LUNG FORCE Walks raise funds to defeat lung cancer and anyone can join.

Turquoise Takeover Week was created by the American Lung Association's LUNG FORCE – a national initiative uniting Americans against lung cancer in 2014. The campaign includes an ask for news anchors to turn turquoise on air on Tuesday, May 10. Learn other ways to get involved with Turquoise Takeover at LUNG-FORCE.org/TurquoiseTakeover. Media interested in more lung cancer stats, or speaking with a lung health expert, contact Jen Solomon at 516-680-8927 or Jennifer.Solomon@Lung.Org

Flushing Town Hall's Popular "Mini-Global Mashups" Extended Through Summer

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guest moderators.

For the series' full schedule and to purchase tickets, visit: <https://www.flushingtownhall.org/mini-global-mashups>.

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ARIES
 (Mar. 21 - April 20)
 Take precautions while driving, you don't have to get anywhere that fast. Don't take offense at comments made by coworkers. Your lucky numbers are 5,9,2.

TAURUS
 (Apr. 21 - May 21)
 Don't be too eager to dismiss someone who works under you. Plan your day thoughtfully, but try not to rely on others. Your lucky numbers are 2,9,3.

GEMINI
 (May 22 - June 21)
 Don't let an incident at work play on your mind. You need to take a good look at all sides of an issue before making a decision. Your lucky numbers are 1,9,5.

CANCER
 (June 22 - July 22)
 You should get out and meet new people this week. Travel for business or pleasure will be enlightening. Hidden matters are likely to surface. Your lucky numbers are 8,3,2.

LEO
 (July 23 - Aug. 22)
 You need to keep the peace and you will have to bend in order to do so. Get involved in fitness programs that will make you feel better. Your lucky numbers are 7,3,2.

VIRGO
 (Aug. 23 - Sept. 23)
 Join intellectual or cultural groups, you should meet people that will stimulate you. Real estate investments could be prosperous. Your lucky numbers are 6,3,1.

LIBRA
 (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
 Seminars will provide you with knowledge and amusement. You will attract new friendships. Watch your investments. Your lucky numbers are 6,3,9.

SCORPIO
 (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
 You can make money if you put your mind to it. You will need to work diligently in order to accomplish even the smallest amount. Your lucky numbers are 1,8,9.

SAGITTARIUS
 (Nov. 23 - Dec. 21)
 You may be offered opportunities that will result in a higher earning potential. You can make financial gains through investments. Your lucky numbers are 5,3,2.

CAPRICORN
 (Dec. 22 - Jan. 20)
 Your best efforts will come through hard work. Business trips should be possible. Money makers use good judgment. Your lucky numbers are 1,8,9.

AQUARIUS
 (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
 Use a diplomatic approach to get co-workers to help you. You can gain valuable cultural knowledge through dealing with foreigners. Your lucky numbers are 3,9,7.

PISCES
 (Feb. 20 - Mar. 20)
 You will have to check your cash flow before you decide to indulge in entertainment that may be beyond your budget. Your lucky numbers are 2,8,9.

Did You Know?

- The word old English word 'juke' meaning dancing lends its name to the juke box
- EMI awards stands for 'Electrical and Musical Instruments'
- The most sung song is happy birthday
- The first rugby club was formed in 1843
- The most common injury in ten pin bowling is a sore thumb
- The yo-yo was originally used as a weapon for hunting the in the Philippines
- Draughts (checkers) is older than chess
- Orienteering originated from Sweden
- Blonde beards grow faster than darker beards
- When recognising a persons face you use the right side of your brain
- The human body contains 96,000km(59,650miles) of blood vessels
- The hydrochloric acid found in your stomach is strong enough to dissolve a nail
- On average you blink 25,000 a day
- Men have 10% more red blood cells than women
- You have fewer muscles than a caterpillar
- New Zealand's first hospital was opened in 1843
- When your face blushes so does your stomach lining
- 1 square inch of human skin contains 625 sweat glands

Answer to Last Weeks Puzzles

"Sudoku"

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"Crossword Puzzle"

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"Try And Find"

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- ACROSS**
- Fire residues
 - Anagram of "Rose"
 - Kind of moss
 - Not tall
 - List of choices
 - Indian music
 - Infantile paralysis
 - Baking appliance
 - Auspices
 - Too shocked for words
 - Penny
 - Pottery oven
 - Come forth
 - Molten rock
 - Hog
 - Small amount
 - Center of rotation
 - Chick's sound
 - Send, as payment
 - Assignment
 - Sickness
 - Flannel shirt pattern
 - Albacore or bluefin
 - Soft drink
 - Swab
 - Mesh
 - Pitcher
 - Piercing in tone
 - Frosts, as a cake
 - Anthracite
 - Easy
 - Dogfish
 - Long, long time
 - Eagle's home
 - Repose
 - Arid
 - Coronet
 - No charge
 - Shade trees
 - SSS

- DOWN**
- Cobras
 - Store
 - Puncture
 - A Great Lake
 - Inventory
 - Skin softener
 - Tit for tat
 - 1 1 1 1
 - Opposite of dawn
 - Preceding in time
 - Keen
 - Growing old
 - Flavor
 - River horse
 - Crumbling earthy deposit
 - Light source
 - Angle between leaf and branch
 - Sanction
 - Acculturate
 - Strobiles of pine trees
 - Cat sound
 - Small island
 - Russian emperor
 - False god
 - Not earlier
 - Military outfit
 - Satisfy
 - Winter accessory
 - Home run (baseball)
 - Lift
 - Condition
 - Sense
 - Luau souvenirs
 - Ages
 - Your majesty
 - Oceans

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Congratulations to The Four Winners of QEDC's Sixteenth Annual StartUP! Business Plan Competition



QEDC Executive Director Seth Bornstein is pictured with Adelaide Paul



QEDC Executive Director Seth Bornstein pictured with Courtney Stern.

The Queens Economic Development Corporation has announced the four winners of the sixteenth annual Queens StartUP! Business Plan Competition, a five-month challenge-and-instruction course sponsored by Resorts World New York City. Each winner receives \$10,000 to jumpstart their new business.

Adelaide Paul, who was born in Dominica but lives in Cambria Heights, took first place in the "Food" category with her Dekkade Foods seasoning brand. This tropical blend of all-natural herbs and spices adds aroma and flavor to marinades, pesto, sauces, and meat.

In the "Technology" category, Courtney Stern and Broad Channel resident Sondra Young won for Park Watch, a free app that helps motorists find free street parking.

Astoria-based Eli Goldman and Tikkun BBQ received top honors

in the "Community" category. He makes and sells delicious smoked meats from a pickup truck and donates half of the proceeds to local charities, such as Safe Horizon, Make-A-Wish Foundation, and the Astoria Food Pantry.

The champions in the "Sustainability" category were Aimee Wu and Nancy B Uddin from XING Studios. The Flushing-based fashion label pays above-market wages to local seamstresses to produce made-to-order clothing from up-cycled fabrics.

Over the course of this year's StartUP! competition, about 200 participants received technical assistance and training on such business topics as operations, marketing, and financial statements, while also enjoying access to advice from experts. Then, many of them submitted business plans to selected judges, who determined

the winners.

"Since entrepreneurs are the bedrock of the borough's economy, I congratulate and commend this year's StartUP! winners and wish them the best of luck in the future," stated QEDC Executive Director Seth Bornstein. "And as always, I wholeheartedly thank Resorts World New York City, which has supported QEDC in so many ways since its opening. Finally, if anybody has an idea for a new business, please consider enrolling in the next StartUP! program this fall."

Founded in 1977, QEDC strives to create and retain jobs through programming that assists small businesses, encourages entrepreneurship, and promotes our community with an emphasis on supporting those of low-to-moderate income, women, minorities, and immigrants.

Assemblywoman Jenifer Rajkumar's Statement on The Shooting In Ridgewood



My office is in close touch with the NYPD as the investigation unfolds.

This shooting is part of a disturbing trend that shows a rise in gun violence and crime in our city. Shooting incidents in New York City rose in the first quarter of 2022 compared to the first quarter of 2021, from 260 to 296. Overall crime increased by 34.2% in April 2022 compared to April last year. NYPD officers effected a 64.6% increase in arrests for illegal gun possession this April compared to April of last year. It is our number one job to make sure our streets are safe for our children, families, and all New Yorkers. I remain committed to ensuring our public safety through legislation, supporting our police, and strengthening mental health and other critical support services.

I just spoke with the police about a shooting that took place this morning near Fresh Pond Road and Palmetto Street. Two women were shot. The investigation of this matter is being conducted by the 104th Precinct.

Gillibrand Statement on Nick Perry's Swearing in as Ambassador to Jamaica



"I want to warmly congratulate Nick Perry on becoming the new ambassador to Jamaica.

"Not only does he understand the needs of Jamaicans both on the island and the U.S. mainland, but he represented the large and vibrant Caribbean diaspora of the 58th Assembly District in Brooklyn.

"As an immigrant, veteran and elected official, Nick Perry represents everything wonderful about the 'American Dream.' I cannot think of a better person to serve as ambassador to Jamaica."

Assemblywoman Nily Rozic Attends Queens College Track And Soccer Pitch Ribbon Cutting

Assemblywoman Nily Rozic (D, WF-Fresh Meadows) attended a ceremony to mark the completion of the college's track and soccer field (pitch) renovation project. The \$9.8 million project began in January 2021, with city and state funding. Rozic secured a New York State grant for \$500,000 for the track renovation. She later joined Queens College President Frank Wu and Queens Borough President Donovan Richards for an inaugural lap around the track.



Queens College's NCAA Division II level athletes use the soccer field for games, conditioning, and sport-specific training and for the college's intramural events and physical education classes. New York City public and Catholic diocese school championships and Special Olympics sporting events are hosted on the field. Community groups use the field for soccer, track and

field, and field day events. The track & field will serve Queens College, Townsend Harris High

School, John Bowne High School students, and be available to community members at-large.

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Crime Prevention Forum

Members of the Community Partnerships Division joined the New Order of Solutions Inc., STYLES Inc., Senator Leroy Comrie, and Councilmember Nantasha Williams in St. Albans for a conversation on violence prevention and resources available for victims.

Co-hosting important discussions with local residents is one of the many ways that we are strengthening partnerships and ensuring trust with the communities we serve.



Statement From Speaker Adrienne E. Adams on Rent Guidelines Board Preliminary Vote



“Housing insecurity is a major issue, and the City is experiencing a troubling rise

in evictions and high levels of homelessness during this period of pandemic-related economic challenges. While it’s positive that the Rent Guidelines Board reduced the potential range of proposed rent increases from one being the largest since 1990, I remain concerned and opposed to the higher ends of these ranges being counterproductive to the housing crisis facing New Yorkers. I urge the board to take a holistic view of our city’s economic health and reduce harms to struggling New Yorkers by

staying in the lower range in its final decision. The City needs a comprehensive housing plan that includes deeper investments in affordable housing development and preservation to achieve the housing stability that makes our communities stronger and safer. Rent Guidelines Board proposals should be in sync with a larger strategy – one that includes tenants, homeowners, and landlords as key stakeholders to ensure New Yorkers remain in their homes and have sufficient access to sustainable housing.”

NYC Health+Hospitals/Queens Mother’s Day Mammogram 2022



The Queens Cancer Center of Queens Hospital and Queens’ Breast Imaging Department hosted another successful Mother’s Day Mammogram event on Friday, May 6. The effort resulted in the screening of 30 patients in honor of Mother’s Day. There is great work being done at Queens, and we encourage all women to remember that early detection saves lives!



Senator Sanders Congratulates Former Staffer on Becoming First Black Woman And Member of The LGBTQ Community to be Named White House Press Secretary

Deputy White House Press Secretary Karine Jean-Pierre will replace Jen Psaki in the high-profile Press Secretary role beginning next week. (White House photo by Katie Ricks)

State Senator James Sanders Jr. said: “I would like to sincerely congratulate Queens Village native Karine Jean-Pierre, my former staffer during my time as a City Council Member, for being named the new White House Press Secretary making her the first black woman and member of the LGBTQ community to fill the role. I saw great potential in her when she held a leadership role on my staff and I see great



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QCBA 2022 Annual Dinner And Installation of Officers



Pictured at the Queens County Bar Association (QCBA) Annual Dinner and Installation of Officers is QCBA outgoing President Frank Bruno (l) congratulating his successor the newly appointed QCBA President Adam Orlow. Photo by Walter Karling.



At the Queens County Bar Association (QCBA) Annual Dinner and Installation of Officers a tribute was paid to the retiring Arthur Terranova (c) who served for 35 years as the Executive Director of the QCBA. He was given a plaque of recognition by (l to r) NYS Assemblymen Clyde Vanel and David Weprin. Photo by Walter Karling



At the Queens County Bar Association (QCBA) Annual Dinner and Installation of Officers Mark Weliky (l), the QCBA Pro-Bono Coordinator presented Regina Alberty (r) the NYS Bar Association President’s Pro Bono Service Award for her longstanding legal services to low-income residents in Queens County. Photo by Walter Karling

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IT'S IN QUEENS

(May 12 to May 18)

A day in the country. A night in the city. A session with hawks. Time with songbirds. A musical jaunt back to the 18th century. Some wacky modern art. Queens is everywhere this week.

- May 12, Your Negro Tour Guide, May 23. The Astoria Performing Arts Center and the Ensemble Theatre of Cincinnati present this play, which is based on Kathy Y. Wilson's Your Negro Tour Guide: Truths in Black & White. This frank examination of race, gender, and class looks at Black beauty, Black homophobia, intra-racial bigotry, and other stereotypes. Schedule is Thursday to Saturday and Monday at 7 pm, Saturday at 3 pm, and Sunday at 6 pm. APAC Theater, 44-02 23rd St., L I City.

- May 12, Saved By My Feet, 7 pm. The screening of a film about Tom McGrath who overcame an almost fatal alcohol addiction by running. He has run thousands of miles across Ireland and the USA to find out how alcohol and mental health problems are linked and to raise funds for charity. The event includes a Q&A with McGrath. New York Irish Center, 10-40 Jackson Ave., Long Island City.

- May 12, Two Exhibitions, Aug. 1. SculptureCenter presents In Practice: Literally means collapse. SC, 44-19 Purves St., Long Island City.

- May 13, Forward Festival of the Arts, May 22. Two weekends of awe-inspiring dance, drama, music, and showmanship by performers who are deaf and/or disabled. Watch Omnium Circus on May 14 at 2 pm and 8 pm. Full Radius Dance goes next with Alice, Peter, and Dorothy and Undercurrents on May 15 at 3 pm. Molly Joyce, whose left hand was impaired in a car accident, performs on May 15 at 5 pm. The Phamaly Theatre Company presents The Spitfire Grill on May 21 and May 22. Queens Theatre, 14 United Nations Ave. S., Flushing Meadows Corona Park.

- May 13, Open Studio Crawls, 4 pm. A guided walking tour of design studios with chances to meet professionals, and revel in some of the secrets behind their craft. Long Island City.

- May 13, The Cinema of James Wong Howe, June 26. Born at the dawn of the 20th century in China and arriving in the United States as a young child, James Wong Howe came of age within and alongside Hollywood, serving as one of the industry's major stylistic and technical innovators through the mid-1970s. This program screens 19 films he shot, including Mantrap (1926), Transatlantic (1931), Pursued (1947), Picnic (1955), Seconds (1966), and Hud (1963). Museum of the Moving Image, 36-01 35th Ave., Astoria's Kaufman Arts District.

- May 13, Three Days of Dance, May 14. The Take Root program opens with performances by Mary Suk and Ensemble InterTwining at 8 pm on May 13 and May 14. The Fertile Ground New Works Showcase goes next with various artists

on May 15 at 7 pm. Green Space, 37-24 24th St., Long Island City.

- May 13, Krush, 8 pm. This cover band keeps the party rocking. Resorts World New York City, 110-00 Rockaway Blvd., South Jamaica.

- May 13, The Apothetae New American Voices Reading Series, May 22. Six in-person readings of new plays by disabled playwrights developed through the Apothetae at Lark Fellowship. The diverse set includes Blanche and Stella by A.A. Brenner, The Tings We Carry, by Oya Mae, We Will Never Reach The Shore by Tim J. Lord, Magda Romanska's The Life and Times of Stephen Hawking, and Nikki Brake-Silla's Say It Ain't So. Queens Theatre, 14 United Nations Ave. S., Flushing Meadows Corona Park.

- May 14, Sheep Shearing, 11 am. New York City's only sheep-shearing festival includes wool processing, live music, tours, crafts, scavenger hunts, hayrides, and food vendors. Queens County Farm Museum, 73-50 Little Neck Pkwy., Glen Oaks.

- May 14, Downtown Jamaica Jazz Festival, May 15. This week-end-long marathon celebrates the borough's rich jazz heritage with a mix of prominent musicians and emerging ones from noon to 6 pm each day. The lineup includes the Birsa Chatterjee Quartet, Johnathan Blake Quartet, Roy Hargrove Legacy Big Band, Jaleel Shaw Quartet, and Jeff "Tain" Watts. Jamaica Performing Arts Center, 153-10 Jamaica Ave.

- May 14, Metropolitan Avenue of Art, 2 pm. Businesses on Metropolitan Avenue in Forest Hills showcase local artists.

- May 14, Hélio Oiticica Subterranean Tropicália Projects: PN15 1971/202, Aug. 14. Late Brazilian artist Hélio Oiticica's immersive environment derives from a series of Subterranean Tropicália Projects for Central Park. The circular structure of curving corridors provides visitors with a multi-sensory experience featuring plants and image projections that create a play of light, shadow, opacity, framing, and orientation. Socrates Sculpture Park, 32-01 Vernon Blvd., Long Island City.

- May 14, A Palo Seco, 1 pm 2:15 pm. New York-based flamenco company A Palo Seco offers a workshop on the basic techniques and sounds of music, dance, and general body and rhythmic awareness followed by a lively performance. Flushing Town Hall, 137-35 Northern Blvd.

- May 14, Day of Art & Action, 2 pm. Performances, collective art making, portrait photography, and tabling honoring Queer and Trans People of Color. Queens Museum, NYC Building, Flushing Meadows Corona Park.

- May 14, Children's Festival, 10 am. Live animal shows, puppets, Urban Park Ranger activities, and light snacks. Registration is mandatory. Alley Pond Environmental Center, 224-65 76th Ave., Oakland Gardens.

- May 14, Bird Walks with the

NYC Audubon, 9:30 am. Check out creatures of flight with expert ornithologists. Queens Botanical Garden, 43-50 Main St., Flushing.

- May 14, The Counterfeiters, 8 pm. This party band wows audiences from the Hamptons to the Nation's Capital. Resorts World New York City, Bar 360, 110-00 Rockaway Blvd., South Jamaica.

- May 14, Masking Tape Sculpture, 2:30 pm. An interactive, make-your-own masking tape sculpture workshop during which participants learn the basic techniques of the craft while joining others to co-create sculptures of Lewis Latimer to honor his artistic talent in the craft of patent drawing. Lewis Latimer House Museum, 34-41 137th St., Flushing.

- May 14, Braata Productions 2nd Annual 5K Run/Walk, 9 am. A fun, socially distant walk/run. Registration fee includes Braata 5k T-Shirt and Swag Bag. Brookville Park, entrance between Weller Ave and Caney Road, Rosedale.

- May 15, Oratorio Society of Queens, 4 pm. The borough's oldest cultural group performs Brahms, Mozart, Pierpoint, and several other great composers. St. Kevin Church, 45-21 194th St., Flushing.

- May 15, Coming to America, 1 pm. As part of an ongoing program to screen and discuss films made in Queens, the 1988 Eddie Murphy comedy Coming to America is paired with a presentation by Jason Bailey, author of Fun City Cinema: New York City and the Movies That Made It. Museum of the Moving Image, 36-01 35th Ave., Astoria's Kaufman Arts District.

- May 15, Ireland Meets Morocco, 1 pm. The Mini-Global Mashups series continues with Irish uilleann pipes and low whistle player Cillian Vallely and Grammy-nominated Moroccan Gnawa master Samir Langus, accompanied by multi-instrumentalist Matt Mancuso. Each side plays. Then they jam together. Flushing Town Hall, 137-35 Northern Blvd.

- May 15, We Want Fish Sticks, 2 pm. Nicholas Hirshon presents on his book, We Want Fish Sticks: The Bizarre and Infamous Rebranding of the New York Islanders. Queens Historical Society, 143-35 37th Ave., Flushing.

- May 15, Spheres and Sinospheres, July 31. Amy Cheng displays paintings that draw connections between Western, Eastern, and Middle Eastern art. Rich with color, pattern, life and celebration, her images are layered with spheres and circles, speaking of flowers, stars, suns, and cosmic rhythms. Artist reception on June 12 at 2 pm. Voelker Orth Museum, 149-19 38th Ave., Flushing.

- May 15, Hawk Watch, 10 am. Urban Park Rangers lead a free birding event. Meet at the Unisphere, Flushing Meadows Corona Park.

- May 17, The Evolution of Bayside, 7:30 pm. The Bayside Historical Society shares artifacts, maps, photos, documents, and ephemera that look at the neighborhood's past. The Castle, 208 Totten Ave., Bayside.

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Council Members Erik Bottcher, Linda Lee, Sandra Ung, And Justin Brannan Announce Legislation to Double Penalties For Vehicle Noise Violations

Bill would increase penalties for excessive muffler or exhaust sound, honking, or illegal sound producing devices on motor vehicles

Council Member Erik Bottcher, Council Member Linda Lee, Council Member Sandra Ung, and Council Member Justin Brannan announced the introduction of their legislation to increase penalties for excessive motor vehicle noise.

Introduction 312 doubles local civil penalties for:

- Operating a motor vehicle (other than a motorcycle) where the muffler or exhaust generates a sound that is plainly audible to another individual at a distance of 150 feet or more from the motor vehicle.
- Using a horn or other manually, mechanically, or electrically powered device that creates a sound signal on a motor vehicle except as a signal of imminent danger (i.e., the proper use for a car horn) or as a burglar alarm.
- Using an air horn or gong installed on a motor vehicle (other than as an emergency signal device on an authorized vehicle).

Studies have shown that there are direct links between noise and health. According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, problems related to noise include stress related illnesses, high blood pressure, speech interference, hearing loss, sleep disruption, and lost productivity. Noise Induced Hearing Loss (NIHL) is the most common and often discussed health effect, but research has shown that exposure to constant or high levels of noise can cause countless adverse health effects.

Introduction 312 complements the New York State SLEEP Act, sponsored by Senator Andrew Gounardes and Assembly member Bill Magnarelli and signed into law by Governor Hochul in 2021. The SLEEP Act raised the penalties for shops that perform any illegal modifications of mufflers and exhaust systems that allow cars and motorcycles to become noisier.

This bill is introduced as the New York City Department of Environmental Protection enters the final months of a pilot program to automate enforcement of noise penalties. This new system uses a strategically placed sound meter to record decibel levels on the road, matching it to a license plate using a camera. The pilot program began in September of 2021 and will end in June of this year.

"Every New Yorker knows how it feels to be woken up in the middle of the night by an obnoxiously loud vehicle," said Council Member Erik Bottcher. "These vehicles and drivers aren't just rude and inconsiderate, they're actually harming people's physical and mental health. I'm proud to join with my colleagues Linda Lee, Sandra Ung, and Justin Brannan to say that enough is enough."

"Excessive and obnoxious vehicle noise is the bane of families' existence across Eastern

Queens," said Council Member Linda Lee, co-Chair of the New York City Council Queens Delegation. "These vehicles and their drivers are causing real harm to our environment, health, and overall quality of life. I want to thank Council Member Bottcher for introducing this legislation that families across New York City have been clamoring for, and for Council Member's Bottcher, Ung, and other colleagues' support as we work to bring some peace and quiet back to our neighborhoods."

"Excessive noise isn't just a quality-of-life nuisance, it also causes serious health issues due to stress and loss of sleep, as well as negatively impacts our children," said Council Member Sandra Ung. "Drivers who make illegal and excessively loud retrofits to their vehicles and then speed through our communities late at night have no business on our streets. Increasing fines will send a message that their behavior will not be tolerated. I'm proud to join with Council Members Erik Bottcher, Linda Lee, and Justin Brannan to take whatever steps necessary to keep our neighborhoods peaceful and quiet."

"Excessive vehicle noise has got to stop. My constituents who deal with this already know what the data shows: that loud vehicles have outsize negative health impacts on the neighborhoods they affect. Anyone who purposely modifies their exhaust system so it sounds like a goddamn machine gun is not only desperate for attention but also clearly overcompensating for something else. This bill will hopefully make these idiots think twice and bring some peace and quiet back to our neighborhoods at night," said Council Member Justin Brannan.

"Loud driving is a public health threat to New Yorkers and an obstacle to meeting our climate goals and improving public transit," said Riders Alliance Policy & Communications Director Danny Pearlstein. "As a bus rider and a parent of two young children, I especially appreciate Council Member Bottcher's effort to eliminate excessive motor vehicle noise. As our city builds back and recovers, we can scarcely afford the additional trauma and disruption of deliberate, fossil fueled noise plaguing communities across all five boroughs."

"The Center for Urban Science and Progress's SONYC team, a collaboration between NYU Steinhardt and Tandon, is fully supportive of any efforts, legislative or otherwise, to curb the increase of traffic-related noise pollution, especially from modified mufflers and exhaust systems. We look forward to continuing our work in developing sensing and AI technologies to help quantify noise pollution, make noise monitoring more pervasive and accessible, and support our partners in the city in their enforcement efforts." Juan Pablo Bello, Director, Center for Urban Science and Progress (CUSP) at New York University "Studies that Dr. Gregg Van

Ryzin and I conducted on the sources of noise intrusions in New York City clearly demonstrated that vehicle noises were high on the list; strongly supporting legislation such as this aimed at curbing such noises." Arline L. Bronzaft, Ph.D., Professor Emerita, City University of New York

"Noise pollution is a public health crisis. Thank you to Council Member Bottcher for taking steps to address the growing number of loud cars on our streets," said Juan Restrepo, senior organizer for Transportation Alternatives. "Pairing this legislation with car-free open space, as we've outlined in NYC 25x25, will make our streets a healthier place for all."

"We know from efforts currently being undertaken in cities all over the world, most notably in Paris, that excessive noise from vehicular traffic is not an immutable part of city life. Tackling the noise generated by automobiles is one way to ensure the right of all New Yorkers to live in happy and healthy communities," said Doug Gordon, street-safety activist.

The exact penalty increases are as follows:

- Section 24-236(a). Operating a motor vehicle (other than a motorcycle) where the muffler or exhaust generates a sound that is plainly audible to another individual at a distance of 150 feet or more from the motor vehicle.
- First offense increases from minimum of \$150 and maximum of \$525 to minimum of \$300 and maximum of \$1,050
- Second offense increases from minimum of \$300 and maximum of \$1,050 to minimum of \$600 and maximum of \$2,100
- Third offense increases from minimum of \$450 and maximum of \$1,575 to minimum of \$900 and maximum of \$3,150
- Section 24-237(a). Using a horn or other manually, mechanically, or electrically powered device that creates a sound signal on a motor vehicle except as a signal of imminent danger (i.e., the proper use for a car horn) or as a burglar alarm.
- First offense increases from minimum of \$150 and maximum of \$1,000 to minimum of \$300 and maximum of \$2,000
- Second offense increases from minimum of \$300 and maximum of \$2,000 to minimum of \$600 and maximum of \$4,000
- Third offense increases from minimum of \$450 and maximum of \$3,000 to minimum of \$900 and maximum of \$6,000
- Section 24-237(b). Using an air horn or gong installed on a motor vehicle (other than as an emergency signal device on an authorized vehicle).
- First offense increases from minimum of \$220 and maximum of \$875 to minimum of \$330 and maximum of \$1,325
- Second offense increases from minimum of \$440 and maximum of \$1,750 to minimum of \$660 and maximum of \$2,625
- Third offense increases from minimum of \$660 and maximum of \$2,625 to minimum of \$990 and maximum of \$3,950

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Grants Support Mayor Adams' Economic Recovery Blueprint Initiative to Fortify Commercial Corridors Impacted by the Pandemic

The New York City Department of Small Business Services announced three Strategic Impact Grants totaling \$800,000 to support commercial districts and Open Streets in Low to Moderate Income (LMI) neighborhoods. The grants are intended to help community-based organizations (CBOs) boost economic activity in areas that were hit hardest by the pandemic.

COVID-19 Commercial District Recovery Grant:

The Association for Neighborhood Housing and Development (ANHD) will receive a \$300,000 award to support community-based organizations in five LMI neighborhoods over the next year. The funding is meant to help hard-hit commercial districts recover from the economic fallout of COVID-19. ANHD will partner with the following local Community-Based Organizations (CBOs):

- Asian American Federation in Bensonhurst, Brooklyn
- Rockaway East Merchants Association in Downtown Far Rockaway, Queens
- Chhaya CDC in Jackson Heights, Queens
- Mosholu Preservation Corporation in Wakefield, Bronx
- Common Wise Education Inc. Bronx Cooperative Development Initiative in East Tremont, Bronx

These partnerships will launch or grow merchant organizing efforts in each neighborhood, provide technical assistance to enable partner CBOs to connect businesses with new and evolving support services, and deliver capacity-building services to help partner CBOs continue this work beyond the term of the grant.

Open Streets Grants:

Street Lab, will receive a \$300,000 award to support Open Streets locations on commercial corridors in LMI neighborhoods. The services will consist of a full package of programs, partnerships, production assistance, and equipment.

This funding will help the lowest-capacity partners in high-need neighborhoods by providing technical assistance and full end-to-end programming that enlivens business districts. Street Lab will also stock an "equipment library" with custom-designed street furniture and equipment to be lent to community groups hosting Open Streets, further enticing participation in the program. The grant will also fund the launch of a Design Lab to help Open Streets partners design, prototype, and develop new public space amenities that attract people and encourage patronage to adjacent businesses.

The Horticultural Society ('The Hort') will be awarded \$200,000 to assist up to ten Open Street locations on commercial corridors in LMI neighborhoods. The Hort will provide services and technical assistance to Business Improvement Districts and Community

Based Development Organizations on sanitation, horticulture and beautification, homeless outreach, event set-up/clean-up, permit application assistance, and rat prevention. The Hort will also be responsible for physical upkeep at these Open Streets locations, ensuring that:

- Annuals and perennials are planted and maintained along these commercial corridors.
- Crews will maintain streetscapes, remove trash and refuse, mulch tree pits, remove graffiti, manage on-site furniture, and address site-specific maintenance needs.
- Business and neighborhood conditions will be tracked as The Hort staff will distribute surveys to local merchants and community organizations to solicit feedback and assess the needs of each Open Street site.
- Create a guide for commercial district managers on street management and plant care best practices to support clean, safe, and beautiful business districts.

"Restoring our vibrant commercial corridors is key to building an equitable recovery, and these new grants fulfill a central plank in our economic blueprint," said Mayor Adams. "The city will continue to deepen our partnerships with community-based organizations across the five boroughs, supporting innovative programs and initiatives to bring our small businesses back better than ever."

"SBS is committed to an equitable recovery for New York City. These investments support Mayor Adams's economic blueprint which calls for the fortification of our commercial corridor and the strengthening of merchant organizations. We are confident these investments will effectively stimulate economic activity in the neighborhoods hit hardest by the pandemic," said Department of Small Business Services Commissioner Kevin D. Kim.

"Our Open Streets program is a vital resource for communities looking to create vibrant public spaces right outside their doorsteps. Equity is integral to our work at the DOT and this funding helps ensure Open Streets reaches even more neighborhoods hit hard by the pandemic," said New York City Department of Transportation Commissioner Ydanis Rodriguez. "We thank the Mayor Adams and Commissioner Kim for supporting Open Streets and look forward to building on this great program with new locations in 2022."

"At The Horticultural Society of New York (The Hort), we believe all New Yorkers deserve to have well maintained and beautiful open and green spaces in their communities. Through our partnership with SBS, we are excited to provide vibrant Open Streets sites that will improve quality of life for residents and help local businesses thrive." said Horticultural Society Executive Director Sara Hobel.

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Attorney General James Secures \$141 Million For Millions of Americans Deceived by TurboTax

New York Will Receive Over \$5.4 Million for More Than 176,000 New Yorkers

New York Attorney General Letitia James has announced a record multistate agreement with the owner of TurboTax, Intuit Inc. (Intuit), for deceiving millions of low-income Americans into paying for tax services that should have been free. As a result of Attorney General James' agreement, Intuit will pay \$141 million in restitution to millions of consumers across the nation who were unfairly charged. In addition, Intuit must suspend TurboTax's "free, free, free" ad campaign that lured customers with promises of free tax preparation services, only to deceive them into paying. All 50 states and the District of Columbia have signed onto the agreement. New York will receive more than \$5.4 million for more than 176,000 New Yorkers who were tricked into paying to file their federal tax return.

"Intuit cheated millions of low-income Americans out of free tax filing services they were entitled to," said Attorney General James. "For years, Intuit misled the most vulnerable among us to make a profit. Today, every state in the nation is holding Intuit accountable for scamming millions of taxpayers, and we're putting millions of dollars back into the pockets of impacted Americans. This agreement should serve as a reminder to companies large and small that engaging in these deceptive marketing ploys is illegal. New Yorkers can count on my office to protect their wallets from white-collar scammers."

The Office of the Attorney General (OAG) opened an investigation into Intuit after ProPublica reported that the company was using deceptive digital tactics to steer low-income consumers toward its commercial products and away from federally-supported free tax services.

Intuit offered two free versions of TurboTax. One was through its participation in the IRS Free File Program, a public-private partnership with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), which allows taxpayers earning roughly \$34,000

and members of the military to file their taxes for free. In exchange for participating in the program, the IRS agreed not to compete with Intuit and other tax-prep companies by providing its own electronic tax preparation and filing services to American taxpayers.

In addition, Intuit offers a commercial product called "TurboTax Free Edition," which is only free for taxpayers with "simple returns" as defined by Intuit. In recent years, TurboTax marketed this "freemium" product aggressively, including through ad campaigns where "free" is the most prominent or sometimes the only selling point. In some ads, the company repeated the word "free" dozens of times in as short as 30 seconds. However, the TurboTax "freemium" product is only free for approximately one-third of US taxpayers. In contrast, the IRS Free File products were free for 70 percent of taxpayers.

The OAG's multistate investigation found that Intuit engaged in several deceptive and unfair trade practices that limited consumers' participation in the IRS Free File Program. The company used confusingly similar names for both its IRS Free File product and its commercial "freemium" product. Intuit bid on paid search advertisements to direct consumers who were looking for the IRS Free File service to the TurboTax "freemium" product instead. Intuit also purposefully blocked its IRS Free File landing page from search engine results during the 2019 tax filing season, effectively shutting out eligible taxpayers from filing their taxes for free. Moreover, TurboTax's website included a "Products and Pricing" page that stated it would "recommend the right tax solution," but never displayed or recommended the IRS Free File program, even when consumers were ineligible for the "freemium" product.

Intuit will pay \$141 million in restitution, of which roughly \$2.5 million will be used for administrative fund costs. Under the agreement, Intuit will provide restitution to nearly 4.4 million consumers who started using Tur-

boTax's Free Edition for tax years 2016 through 2018 and were told that they had to pay to file even though they were eligible to file for free using the IRS Free File program offered through TurboTax. Consumers are expected to receive a direct payment of approximately \$30 for each year that they were deceived into paying for filing services. Impacted consumers will automatically receive notices and a check by mail.

Intuit has also agreed to reform its business practices, including:

- Refraining from making misrepresentations in connection with promoting or offering any online tax preparation products;
- Enhancing disclosures in its advertising and marketing of free products;
- Designing its products to better inform users whether they will be eligible to file their taxes for free; and
- Refraining from requiring consumers to start their tax filing over if they exit one of Intuit's paid products to use a free product instead.

Intuit withdrew from the IRS Free File program in July 2021.

Attorney General James led the multistate investigation with Tennessee, with support from the attorneys general of Florida, Illinois, New Jersey, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Texas, and Washington. All 50 states and the District of Columbia joined this agreement. The states wish to thank the Federal Trade Commission for its assistance in the investigation.

This case was handled by Assistant Attorney General Joseph P. Mueller of the Consumer Frauds and Protection Bureau, as well as Assistant Attorney General Jordan Adler, Deputy Bureau Chief Clark Russell, and legal assistants Shirly Huang and Richard Borgia of the Bureau of Internet and Technology. The Bureau of Internet and Technology is led by Bureau Chief Kim Berger. The Consumer Frauds and Protection Bureau is led by Jane M. Azia. Both of the bureaus are part of the Division for Economic Justice, which is led by Chief Deputy Attorney General Chris D'Angelo and overseen by First Deputy Attorney General Jennifer Levy.

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"These Open Streets along commercial corridors offer an historic opportunity to create safe, vibrant public spaces where New Yorkers of all ages can gather in the heart of business districts across the city. Street Lab is excited to partner with community groups, local small businesses, and SBS to offer solutions that build community and strengthen the local economy in these high-need neighborhoods," said Co-Founder and Executive Director Leslie Davol.

"ANHD is excited to collaborate with SBS to support

our community-based organizations and their merchant organizers who have provided critical services in commercial corridors. Through this work, we will build a stronger base of majority BI-POC, immigrant merchants across five neighborhoods to advance equitable recovery where it is most needed," said Barika Williams ANHD Executive Director.

All Open Street locations will be determined upon approval by the Department of Transportation (NYC DOT).

About Open Streets - New York City's Open Streets program transforms streets into public spaces open to all.

These transformations allow for a range of activities that promote economic development, support schools, and provide new ways for New Yorkers to enjoy cultural programming and build community.

NYC DOT works with community-based organizations, public, private, and charter schools, and groups of businesses to execute Open Streets citywide.

NYC DOT's Public Space Programming effort helps bring engaging activities to public spaces throughout the city. All activities are free and open to New Yorkers of all ages and abilities.

Senator Sanders Congratulates Former Staffer on Becoming First Black Woman And Member of The LGBTQ Community to be Named White House Press Secretary

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potential in her now. This is such a momentous step forward for so many groups

who have been marginalized in the past and creates a more diverse team in the presidential administration, demonstrating that Presi-

dent Biden is dedicated to surrounding himself with people who are representative of the diverse population of this country."

Gillibrand, Colleagues Introduce Bipartisan Bill to Collect Evidence Of Russian War Crimes in Ukraine

U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, member of the Senate Armed Services Committee and the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, joined 12 of her colleagues to introduce the bipartisan Ukraine Invasion War Crimes Deterrence and Accountability Act. The bill would ensure that the U.S. works to collect, analyze, and maintain evidence of war crimes and atrocities committed by Russian forces in Ukraine and that the findings are publicized in order to deter the commission of future atrocities.

"Throughout Vladimir Putin's unjustified and

unprovoked invasion of Ukraine, Russian commanders and troops have committed innumerable horrific war crimes and atrocities against innocent civilians and they must be held accountable," said Senator Gillibrand. "I am proud to join the bipartisan Ukraine Invasion War Crimes Deterrence and Accountability Act, which will ensure the U.S. is collecting and analyzing evidence of Russia's war crimes, as well as identifying those responsible, in an effort to hold them accountable and possibly deter additional atrocities. We stand united

in our efforts to bring these war criminals to justice."

Senators John Cornyn (R-TX), Rick Scott (R-FL), Richard Blumenthal (D-CT), Thom Tillis (R-NC), Angus King (I-ME), Susan Collins (R-ME), Dianne Feinstein (D-CA), Marsha Blackburn (R-TN), Gary Peters (D-MI), John Boozman (R-AR), Tim Kaine (D-VA), and Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH) are original cosponsors of the Ukraine Invasion War Crimes Deterrence and Accountability Act. The legislation passed the House with overwhelming bipartisan support last month.

Six More 1960s-Era R-32 Subway Cars Begin Final Journey

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steel cars purchased by New York City Transit (NYCT), comprising a total of 600 cars. Built in Philadelphia by the Budd Company, they were nicknamed the Brightliners because of their washboard-like stainless steel exteriors. The first revenue train ran on Sep. 14, 1964 on what is today's Q line, and in recent years, they were mainly found on the , , and lines.

With a state-of-the-

art design for its time, the Brightliners quickly became a crowd favorite and continues to be a nostalgic favorite to many. The cars introduced design elements unlike any of its predecessors, but one that the MTA has received inspiration from for its newest train cars. Notably, the R-32 cars are the last subway car class in service to have a front window that passengers can look out of.

The cars were featured in multiple blockbuster films

including Bridge of Spies (2015), Spiderman: Homecoming (2017) and Joker (2019). Many R-32s were retired in the late 2000s, when the R-160 cars began filtering into the subway system. A large number of these cars were sunk in the Atlantic Ocean as part of an artificial reef program.

The R-32s made their final run on along their original debut route from 1964, on the line (the then-BMT Brighton Line) on January 9.

Velázquez on Deadly Shooting in Ozone Park

Rep. Nydia M. Velázquez (D-NY) has issued the following statement in response to the tragic shooting of Anna Torres in Ozone Park, Queens.

"Yet another life has been stolen due to senseless gun violence in our communities. My heart is broken

for the family, friends, and neighbors who cherished Ms. Torres. I join the entire Ozone Park community in mourning this tragic loss.

"Taking meaningful steps towards addressing gun violence will require a comprehensive approach. We must invest more federal funding into community-

based resources, job training, and early intervention programs to strengthen local opportunities. In addition, Congress must pass stronger gun control laws that crack down on the iron pipeline of illegal gun trafficking, fortify background checks, and ban weapons of war on our streets."



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52-14 FLUSHING AVENUE, LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/15/2022. Office loc: Queens County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 52-14 Flushing Avenue, Maspeth, NY 11378. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 4/21,28,5/5,12,19&26/2022

Notice of Formation of AHAVAH LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/06/2022. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 126-15 Inwood Street, Jamaica, NY 11436. Purpose: any lawful activities. 4/21,28,5/5,12,19&26/2022

Notice of Formation of TIFABULOUS.WIGZ LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/29/2021. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 140-49 Latham Lane, Jamaica, NY 11434. Purpose: any lawful activities. 4/21,28,5/5,12,19&26/2022

Anthony Residence LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 3/18/2022. Cty: Queens. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to Boris Babakhanov, 185-08 Union Tpke., Ste. 106, Fersh Meadows, NY 11366. General Purpose. 4/28,5/5,12,19,26&6/2/2022

Caribbean Sports Lounge LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 4/14/2022. Cty: Queens. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 197-15 Jamaica Ave., Hollis, NY 11423. General Purpose. 5/5,12,19,26,6/2&9/2022

Yan & Li Venture Property LLC filed w/ SSNY on 5/2/22. Office: Queens Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 13347 Sanford Ave., #C1E, Flushing, NY 11355. Purpose: any lawful. 5/5,12,19,26,6/2&9/2022

Notice of Qualification of AIYA TECHNOLOGY SYSTEM, LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/19/22. Office location: Queens County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 03/25/22. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 36-18 Main St., 12th Fl., Flushing, NY 11356. DE addr. of LLC: 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., #4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 5/5,12,19,26,6/2&9/2022

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Notice of Formation of 48-30 45 WOODSIDE LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/02/2021. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 2534 N Kimberly Drive, Silver City, NM 88061. Purpose: Any lawful activities. 4/28,5/5,12,19,26&6/2/2022

VIGI REALTY LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/30/2022. Office loc: Queens County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 14158 Center Drive, Whitestone, NY 11357. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 4/7,14,21,28,5/5&12/2022

Notice of Formation of LEAHFEET & SUPPORT LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/28/2022. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 11225 34th Avenue, Apt. 1H, Corona, NY 11368. Purpose: any lawful activities. 4/7,14,21,28,5/5&12/2022

Notice of Formation of MOTOSECT LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/12/2022. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 3736 88th Street, Apt 3DS, Jackson Heights, NY 11372. Purpose: any lawful activities. 4/7,14,21,28,5/5&12/2022

CPQ 120 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/25/22. Office: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 212-03 53rd Avenue, Bayside, NY 11364. Purpose: Any lawful purpose 4/7,14,21,28,5/5&12/2022

Notice of Formation of A ROUNDTRIP STYLE LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/22/2022. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 22120 104th Avenue, Queens Village, NY 11429. Purpose: any lawful activities. 4/7,14,21,28,5/5&12/2022

CORONA WS LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/04/2022. Office loc: Queens County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 57-10 99th Street, Corona, NY 11368. Reg Agent: Suhail Sitaf, 3 Windsor Drive, Old Westbury, NY, 11568. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 4/7,14,21,28,5/5&12/2022

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ACADIA REAL ESTATE GROUP LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 4/28/22. Office in Queens Co. SSNY design. Agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to The LLC 4235 Main St Ste CE Flushing NY 11355. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 5/5,12,19,26,6/2&9/2022

Notice of Formation of MIYOKIS LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 09/29/2021. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 1865 211th Street, Apt 6F, Bayside, NY 11360. Purpose: any lawful activities. 4/21,28,5/5,12,19&26/2022

IKOS SENIOR LIVING LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/07/2022. Office loc: Queens County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 48-02 25th Avenue, Suite 400, Astoria, NY 11103. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 4/14,21,28,5/5,12&19/2022

42-14 CRESCENT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/10/22. Office: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 42-14 Crescent Street, Unit 4A, Long Island City, NY 11101. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 4/14,21,28,5/5,12&19/2022

WLP REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/22/22. Office: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 40-54 Warren Street, Elmhurst, NY 11373. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 4/28,5/5,12,19,26&6/2/2022

Notice of Formation of BRAINROT HOUR MEDIA, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/07/2022. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 23-27 30th Avenue, Unit 3, Astoria, NY 11102. Purpose: any lawful activities. 4/14,21,28,5/5,12&19/2022

FAHAD & FARHAN TRANSPORTATION LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 3/14/2022. Office in Queens Co. SSNY design. Agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 86-35 QUEENS BLVD, APT 5U, ELMHURST, NY, 11373. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 4/28,5/5,12,19,26&6/2/2022

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PROBATE CITATION File No. 2013-25871B SURROGATE'S COURT -QUEENS COUNTY CITATION THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, By the Grace of God Free and Independent TO: Antonia Thomas Johnson, Delores Thomas McGee, Stephen Thomas, Jeffrey Thomas, Paul Edward Thomas, Lillie Thomas Clarke, Wanda Thomas Coughman, Manchester West, Darlene L. Jackson, Anthony Eric Jackson, Michael Venson, Carl Venson, Larry Venson, Katina Venson, Thelma Collier Corwise, Brenda Collier Nicholson, Ebonee Royster, Louise Collier Holloway, Lewis Collier, Joyce Collier, William Collier, Denise Collier Derrick, Clarissa Padgett Robinson, Gloria Padgett, Wilhelmina Padgett Ferguson, Carol Padgett Bryant, Thomas Padgett, Linwood Darius Williams, Marcus Freeland, Ralph E. Harris, Quentin Harris Johnson, Victoria Harris, Nikia Harris, Terri L. Carroll, Ioma D. Carroll, Virginia Y. Carroll, Lillie M. Carroll, Sadie Pope Anthony, Patricia Carroll, Anglette Carroll, and Ricky Jones, Estate of Patricia Colclough post deceased heirs at law: Alexander David, John Colclough, Mishatiee David, Estate of Ola Marie Carroll post deceased heirs at law: Taquala Carroll, Pammie Carroll Smith, Jereme Carroll and the heirs at law, next of kin, distributees of Mary Lee Carroll a/k/a Mary L. Carroll, the decedent, if living, and if any of them be dead, to their heirs at law, next of kin, distributees, legatees, executors, administrators, assignees, and successors in interest whose names are unknown and cannot be ascertained after due diligence, Tara E. Mahon: GAL and The Queens County Public Administrator.

A petition having been duly filed by Mary L. Washington, who is domiciled at 156-11 Aguilar Avenue Apt. 5N, Flushing, NY 11367.

YOU ARE HEREBY CITED TO SHOW CAUSE before the Surrogate's court, Queens County, at 88-11 Sutphin Blvd., Jamaica, New York, on July 7, 2022, at 9:30 o'clock in the fore noon of that day, why a decree should not be made in the estate of Mary Lee Carroll a/k/a Mary L. Carroll lately domiciled at 209-10 86th Drive Apt. 3F, Queens Village, New York 11427, United States admitting to probate a Will dated April 15, 2011, a copy of which is attached, as the Will of Mary Lee Carroll a/k/a Mary L. Carroll deceased, relating to real and personal property, and directing that:
[X] Letters Testamentary issue to Mary L. Washington
[] Letters of Trusteeship issue to
[] Letters of Administration c.t.a. issue to
[] Further relief requested (if any):

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NOTICE: THIS CITATION IS SERVED UPON YOU AS REQUIRED BY LAW AS A RESULT OF THE MEASURES ADOPTED BY THE COURT TO COMBAT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19, PHYSICAL PRESENCE AT THE COURTHOUSE ON THE RETURN DATE IS LIMITED. THEREFORE, IF YOU WISH TO CONTEST THE RELIEF REQUESTED, YOU, OR AN ATTORNEY ON YOUR BEHALF, MUST CONTACT THE COURT PRIOR TO THIS DATE IN THE MANNER SET FORTH IN THE ATTACHED NOTICE. IF YOU DO NOT CONTACT THE COURT AS SET FORTH IN THE NOTICE IT WILL BE FOUND YOU CONSENT TO THE RELIEF REQUESTED.
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Orange Cedar Spa, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 3/3/2022. Cty: Queens. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 131-18 Merrick Blvd., Queens, NY 11434. General Purpose. 5/5,12,19,26,6/2&9/2022

Notice of Formation of D'SIRED GOALS LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/26/2022. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 8747 108th Street, Richmond Hill, NY 11418. Purpose: any lawful activities. 5/5,12,19,26,6/2&9/2022

Notice of Formation of BOBBETS KITCHEN LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/09/2022. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 140-49 Latham Lane, Jamaica, NY 11434. Purpose: any lawful activities. 5/5,12,19,26,6/2&9/2022

Nostalgia Collection LLC filed w/ SSNY on 4/4/22. Office: Queens Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 28-29 36th St., Astoria, NY 11103. Purpose: any lawful. 4/14,21,28,5/5,12&19/2022



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Huge Construction LLC filed w/ SSNY on 3/11/22. Office: Queens Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 61-27 186th St., Fresh Meadows, NY 11365. Purpose: any lawful. 4/21,28,5/5,12,19&26/2022

Notice of Formation of Fowler JV APT LLC. Art. of Org. filed Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/21/2022. Office location: Queens County. SSNY Designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: The LLC, 38-08 Union St, Suite 5B, Flushing, NY 11354. Purpose: any lawful activity. 5/12,19,26,6/2,9&16/2022

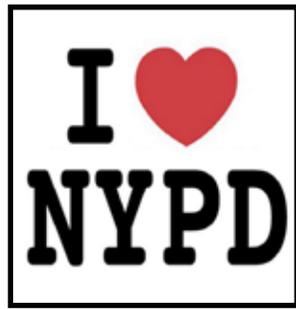
VP Queens Realty Group, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 3/17/2022. Cty: Queens. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 357 Soundview Ln., College Point, NY 11356. General Purpose. 5/12,19,26,6/2,9&16/2022

Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company FENSORE LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on March 15, 2022. Office location: Queens County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC to Jorge Meneses, 45-18 Pearson Street, Long Island City, New York 11101. Purpose: To engage in any lawful activity. 5/12,19,26,6/2,9&16/2022

651718 MP LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 4/26/2022. Cty: Queens. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 3636 Main St., #CS, Flushing, NY 11354. General Purpose. 5/12,19,26,6/2,9&16/2022



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Queens Clergy Breakfast



The Greater Springfield Development Cooperation and Rochdale Village Community Relations Committee hosted a Queens Clergy Breakfast recently, which Queens District Attorney Melinda Katz was pleased to attend. A number of city agencies and elected officials were on-site to discuss issues related to education, mental health care, youth

programming and public safety. QDA Katz took the opportunity to discuss the ongoing mission of her Office to administer Brave Justice - keeping Queens communities safe while helping to create a more equitable criminal justice system. She thanked Rev. Phil Craig, Ms. Jean Castro, and Mr. Clifton Diaz for inviting her.

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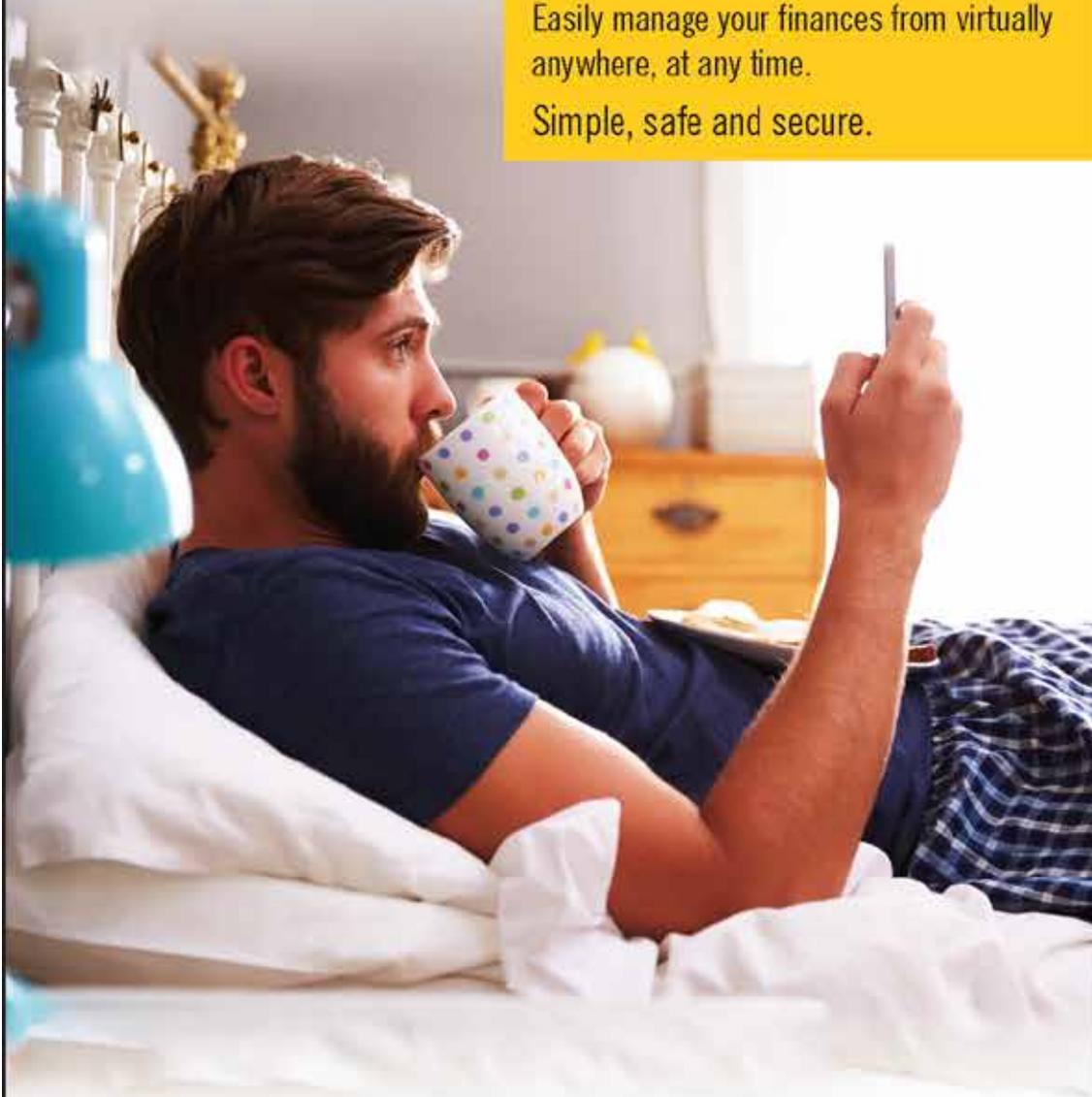
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