



Assemblyman Mike Miller Continues to Fight for Services to Our Veterans!

Dear Friends,

I am honored to have been re-elected to the New York State Assembly as your representative in the State legislature. I look forward to serving all of the communities in the 38th Assembly District for the next two years and in the future. As we move closer to the next legislative session in Albany, I will continue to fight for our community to ensure we have the resources to thrive in 2015, and I will continue to push for legislation that will have a positive impact in the surrounding area.

Most importantly, I want to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season with your families and, as always, I am here working for you twenty-four hours a day and seven days a week to address any issues or concerns you may have. Please do not hesitate to contact my district office for more information regarding any of the items listed. I look forward to hearing from you all, and I wish you well in the coming New Year.

Sincerely,

Mike Miller
Member of Assembly
District 38



Assemblyman Mike Miller and New York City Councilman Eric Ulrich (R-Howard Beach) held a veterans town hall on October 15th at American Legion Post 118 in Woodhaven to discuss local veterans' issues on the city, state, and federal levels including sharing services that are currently available to veterans. Among those who attended the town hall were Commissioner Loree Sutton from the Mayor's Office of Veterans' Affairs and representatives from several veterans services organizations including the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

"This upcoming session, I will make it a priority to pass legislation that I have introduced to give veterans' services organizations 120-days to rectify violations given by city agencies as well as legislation that would create a voluntary contribution on the state personal income tax return for veterans' services organizations. I am committed to fight for our veterans in the Assembly to get them the services that they need including state funding assistance for the burial of indigent or unclaimed veterans. I want to thank Councilman Ulrich for his leadership in addressing the needs of the large and increasing number of veterans throughout New York City, and I thank him for bringing us all together to discuss the needs of veterans during this town hall meeting."

Assemblyman Mike Miller Hosts Small Business Forum with the Department of Consumer Affairs and Local Business Owners



On Wednesday September 24, 2014, Assemblyman Mike Miller hosted a Small Business Seminar with the Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA) at Emmanuel Baptist Church in Woodhaven. The seminar allowed local business owners to ask important questions about how the DCA functions, as well as inform business owners on new policies such as paid sick leave and new fining policies. Above is a picture of Assemblyman Miller, local business owners, and representatives from the Department of Consumer Affairs.

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Assemblyman Miller Acts as Principal for the Day at the Rosa Parks School!



Later, Assemblyman Miller visited students in each classroom throughout the day and took part in some of their lessons. Above is a photo of the Assemblyman visiting a 2nd grade class and taking several questions from the students.



On Friday, October 17, Assemblyman Miller was invited to be PS254's Principal for the Day. The students of the Rosa Parks School hosted a Town Hall where they asked Assemblyman Miller a host of questions including: 1) Did you always want to be an Assemblyman; and 2) Who is your inspiration? Above is a photo of students asking the Assemblyman questions during the Town Hall.

Assemblyman Miller Provides Funding to Our Local Police Precincts



In a continuous effort to ensure that our precincts are equipped with the necessary tools to keep our community safe, Assemblyman Mike Miller has allocated \$250,000 to be split amongst the 102nd, 104th, and 106th precincts. This funding will help our local precincts acquire the necessary tools and vehicles to help in their fight against crime and also will provide much needed support for their graffiti programs. Upon returning to Albany, Assemblyman Miller will continue to fight to secure further funding for our local precincts. Above is a picture of Assemblyman Miller, 102nd Precinct Deputy Inspector Henry Sautner, and Assemblyman David Weprin at the 102nd Precinct 100th Year Anniversary Ceremony.

Assemblyman Miller Honors a Local Eagle Scout During His Certification Ceremony!

On Saturday, October 25, Assemblyman Miller visited the Sacred Heart School in Glendale to present a proclamation to Zachary Kurre for achieving the prestigious rank of Eagle Scout in the Boy Scouts of America. Assemblyman Miller believes that children should join Scouting. As an Eagle Scout, Assemblyman Miller attests that living the principles of the Scout Law and the Scout Oath make a positive difference in the type of person you grow up to be. Below is a picture of Assemblyman Miller and Zachary Kurre.



Assemblyman Mike Miller Presents Students with Summer Reading Certificates!

On Thursday, November 6, Assemblyman Miller presented Summer Reading certificates to the students of Middle School 210 located at 93-11 101 Avenue. Assemblyman Miller was proud to recognize the accomplishments of these students. Over 50 students at MS 210 pledged to read for 15 minutes a day for 40 days during their summer vacation. Above is a picture of Assemblyman Miller, Principal Mannon and the outstanding students who took part in Assemblyman Miller's summer reading challenge.

Assemblyman Mike Miller Hosts Hispanic Heritage Event *Honors Local Latino Citizens Who Impact Community*

On October 9, 2014, Assemblyman Mike Miller held a Hispanic Heritage Event at the Richmond Hill Block Association located at 110-08 Jamaica Avenue in Richmond Hill, Queens to honor the contributions of the local Latino community. In honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, which stretches from September 15th to October 15th, the Assemblyman presented awards to 7 individuals for their contributions to the community. Among those being honored were New York City Councilman Rafael Espinal, Luis Lucas, Domingo Santos, Eddy Vega, Carmen Ramirez, Elba Suarez and Maximo Luna.

“It is truly an honor to present these awards to such fine individuals,” Assemblyman Miller said. “This is my way of offering what little thanks I can for the tremendous effort and sacrifice these individuals put into making our community a better place to live.”

Hispanic and Latino populations are growing in America. According to the 2010 U.S. Census, 50.5 million people, or 16 percent of the U.S. population, are of Hispanic or Latino origin. The U.S. ranks second worldwide for the largest Hispanic population behind Mexico. By 2043, Hispanics are projected to comprise approximately 30 percent of the national population.

Hispanics comprise over 18 percent of New York State’s population and have helped influence our society through a strong commitment to family, faith, hard work and service. There are roughly 2.3 million Hispanics living in New York City – roughly 29 percent of the

population – the most Hispanics in any city in the nation. There are 1.2 million Hispanics or Latinos 18 and older who are veterans of the U.S. armed forces.

Since 1968, Hispanic Heritage Month has recognized the positive contributions Hispanic and Latino Americans have made to our country and communities. New York is home to many of the most influential, whether they have been acclaimed or not.



Above is a Picture of Assemblyman Miller (D-Woodhaven) and this year’s honorees: (From left to right) Maximo Luna, Domingo Santos, Elba Suarez, Eddy Vega, Carmen Ramirez, Luis Lucas, and Council Member Rafael Espinal (D-Brooklyn).

Assemblyman Miller Continues to Recognize ‘Students of The Month’ Throughout the School Year

In an effort to motivate and recognize the outstanding work of our local students, Assemblyman Miller presents certain students ‘Student of the Month’ awards during a ceremony at each of our local schools. Assemblyman Miller enjoys taking the opportunity to recognize the accomplishments of the students within his district. Above is a picture of Assemblyman Miller and the outstanding students of the St. Pancras School in Glendale for the month of October.



Assemblyman Miller Honors Rudy’s Bakery on Its 80th Year Anniversary



On Saturday, October 25, Assemblyman Miller (D-Woodhaven) presented a proclamation to Rudy’s Bakery located at 905 Seneca Avenue, Ridgewood New York. The proclamation recognized Rudy’s 80th year Anniversary as one of the area’s iconic bakeries. Attached is a picture of Assemblyman Miller, Toni, owner of Rudy’s Bakery, and Ted Renz, Director of the Myrtle Avenue BID.

Assemblyman Miller Hosts a Dinner Party Celebration for the Richmond Hill South Civic Association!

On Thursday, October 23, Assemblyman Miller hosted a dinner party for the Richmond Hill South Civic Association meeting at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 135-45 Lefferts Blvd. This month’s meeting was a dinner party celebration in recognition of two million dollars’ worth of clipped coupons that are used to support our troops families while they’re overseas. To the right is a photo of Assemblyman Miller and members of the Richmond Hill South Civic Association.



Assemblyman Mike Miller and Senator Joe Addabbo Collect more than 45,000 Pounds of Recyclable Items

On September 30th, Assemblyman Miller and State Senator Joe Addabbo announced that 45,500 pounds of waste was dropped off by many environmentally minded residents. SecurShred collected around 11,000 pounds of shredded paper, E-Green Management/PK Metals took in 28,500 pounds of e-waste and the Salvation Army packed their truck tight with 6,000 pounds of donated goods. An extra truck was brought in to collect overflow.

The paper collected by SecurShred saves nearly 3,000 trees, and gets recycled as toilet paper, paper towels, printing paper and other everyday items. E-Green Management/PK Metals was able to fill nearly 20 bulk boxes in just three hours time, and ended the day with three trucks filled with old computers, televisions and more. The Salvation Army doubled their collection from the spring recycling event and had a nearly-full truck halfway through

the day – those donations will be distributed to various Salvation Army locations, some of which are overseas. Additionally, the hundreds of books collected will be used in local community book sales. Many old American flags to be delivered to veterans groups for proper disposal and eye glasses to be recycled by Pearl Vision were also collected.

“Given the large turnout at our recycling event, this is a great opportunity for constituents to bring recyclable items, which otherwise may have been thrown in the trash. Please be sure to tell your friends and neighbors, so we can surpass the amount of items collected at our past Recycle Days. This event allows us to bring light to the importance of recycling and its benefits to the environment including preserving natural resources for future generations. I look forward to seeing everyone at our next Recycling Day!”

Questions for the Community

As I prepare to return to Albany in January, I would like some input as to how the community feels regarding these issues that will certainly come up during session. Please take the time to read these two questions, carefully consider the options, and send me your thoughts to: millermg@assembly.state.ny.us.

1. There has been a push by good government groups for campaign finance reform of NY State Elections. This would be a similar system to the NYC campaign finance structure, which would provide a 6 to 1 match for every dollar of campaign contributions received (commonly referred to as “matching funds”). This system would make elections more competitive between incumbents and challengers in elections. Also, please be aware that this system would be funded by tax dollars.

Q: Do you support campaign finance reform of NY State Elections?

2. A proposal to create a state tax credit for donations to public schools and nonprofit scholarship funds is gathering steam in Albany. The proposal is called the Education Investment Tax Credit (EITC), which would create a new state tax credit for individuals and corporations who donate money to public schools, or to scholarship programs that help poor and middle-class students attend private schools, including religious ones. Supporters say the bill would help public schools struggling to keep class sizes down, parochial schools that have been losing students for years and students who cannot afford private school tuition. Opponents say the proposed bills would take millions of dollars away from public schools and that it ignores the students most in need.

Q: Do you support the Education Investment Tax Credits?



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Assemblyman Miller Installs the 2014 GCOP Officers and Directors

On July 10, 2014, Assemblyman Mike Miller visited the 104 COP/Glendale Precinct Civilian Observation Patrol meeting located at United Taludical Seminary located at 74-10 88th Street in Glendale, New York. Assemblyman Miller was present to swear in the 104th GCOP Directors. Attached is a picture of Assemblyman Mike Miller along with the G-Cop Directors. Appearing in the picture is Assemblyman Mike Miller, Tony DeFillippo, Jon Kablack, Stephen Ficarola, Krzysztof Krydus, Nelly Rivera, Dieter Vey and Thomas Bruno.