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Dear Friends,

As we enjoy the summer months, I am working hard in our district on local issues that affect our communities. I want to encourage everyone to reach out to my office in regards to any issues you may come across. Your input may spark a new piece of legislation that may help thousands of people across the state.

Below you will find some of the events that took place over the last several months within our community. I am here working for you 24/7 to address any issues or concerns you may have. Please do not hesitate to contact my district office for more information regarding any of these items listed. I look forward to hearing from you all and hope that you are enjoying your summer.

Sincerely,

Mike Miller  
Member of Assembly  
District 38

**Assemblyman  
Mike Miller Celebrates  
P.S. 97's 100th  
Anniversary**

Assemblyman Mike Miller honored P.S. 97 The Forest Park School's 100th Anniversary with a proclamation to Principal Marilyn Custodio from the New York State Assembly. P.S 97 The Forest Park School's teachers and students were present for the award presentation.



**Celebrating Women's History  
Month at the One Stop Richmond  
Hill Community Center**

In March Assemblyman Mike Miller celebrated Women's History Month by honoring successful women in the 38th Assembly District. These ladies have gone above and beyond to make sure that our community is taken care of and deserve our recognition. In the photo are honorees Joann Bartos, Patti Eggers, Patt Grayson, Ida Hillmeyer, Brenda Riddick and Lourdes Ventura. Also in the picture is Inspector Schiff.



## AROUND THE COMMUNITY



### Assemblyman Mike Miller's Small Business Forum

Assemblyman Mike Miller sponsored a small business forum at Emanuel United Church of Christ where local business owners came to interact with city agencies.

The panel included representatives from the FDNY, NYPD, Department of Buildings, Sanitation, Small Business Services, Department of Environmental Protection, NYC Taxi & Limousine Commission, OSHA, and the Mayor's Unit of Community Affairs.



### Assemblyman Miller Celebrate's Nepalese New Year

In April at I.S. 77 in Ridgewood, Assemblyman Mike Miller was a guest of honor at Namaste International's Nepalese New Year celebration.



### Assemblyman Mike Miller Honors the Women of The Association of Mutual Help and Solidarity (AAMUS) on Mother's Day

Assemblyman Mike Miller honored the women of The Association of Mutual Help and Solidarity (AAMUS) for Mother's Day with citations of merit for their contributions to the surrounding communities.



### Assemblyman Mike Miller on a Living Wage and Paid Family Leave for All New Yorkers

This year the New York State Assembly passed an historic budget. In this year's budget we were able to accomplish passing a living wage for all New Yorkers at \$15 dollars an hour. This living wage will be implemented over the next couple of years with a yearly increase until we reach the \$15 mark in 2019 in New York City.

New York is leading the way when it comes to wage equality for hard working residents who are having a harder time getting by on full time pay at the current minimum wage. At \$9 the current minimum wage was impossible for residents of the City of New York to survive on.

It was a great moment to pass the most generous paid family leave in any state in the union this legislative session. Parents of newborn children and those taking care of a sick loved one can

now take up to 12 weeks of time off. Coverage of this bill will start off with half the pay of an individual's hourly wage and 8 weeks that can be taken off in a 52 week period. In 2021 the hours cap for a calendar year will increase to 12 weeks and rate of pay will increase to two thirds of the individual's hourly pay.

Residents can utilize this program to spend time with their newborn children in the critical first months of their lives. Paid family leave can be used for those who are caring for a loved one or parent at the end of their life to spend those last days comforting their loved ones.

The pressure of returning to work would be alleviated financially for those who find themselves in these situations. No one should have to feel rushed back to work whether they have a child or are taking care of an ill family member.

### Assemblyman Mike Miller Supports Landmarking Neir's Tavern

Assemblyman Mike Miller stopped by Neir's Tavern (Woodhaven) for their all-day rally for landmarking status. The Assemblyman is a strong advocate for landmarking treasures in our community; Neir's has been operating since 1829.



### Spring Recycling Event in Forest Park

This spring Assemblyman Mike Miller and Senator Joseph Addabbo held their recycling event in the Forest Park band shell parking lot. Those participating were greeted at the entrance by Assemblyman Mike Miller and Senator Joseph Addabbo.

### Assemblyman Mike Miller is Interviewed by the Students of P.S. 97



In March Assemblyman Mike Miller partook in an interview held by students and Principal Marilyn Custodio. Students wanted to know more about how government functions and what goes on in their local community.



### Assemblyman Mike Miller Celebrates a Small Business Grand Opening

Assemblyman Mike Miller helps celebrate the grand opening of Bravo's supermarket on Jamaica Avenue in Woodhaven.



# Assemblyman Miller Passes Legislation

6961-A/S7997: A continued push by Assemblyman Mike Miller got this bill passed in the New York State Assembly. This bill was signed into law by Governor Andrew Cuomo on July 21st. This law creates a statutory requirement which is a cost effective method that allows an abused student to self-report abuse. This law requires both public schools and charter Schools to post a child abuse hotline.

9315-A/S6577-A: This veteran's bill was passed in the New York State Assembly this session with Assemblyman Mike Miller being the prime sponsor. This bill seeks to aid in these efforts by creating the veterans' home assistance fund, and adds a tax line to allow contributions through State income tax returns establishing an additional funding mechanism for the state run veterans' homes.

## Assemblyman Miller Supports Legislation

A10740/S8158: This bill was passed by both houses this session. This bill requires school districts and boards of cooperative educational services to conduct periodic testing of the potable water systems in their school buildings to monitor for lead contamination, and would provide State aid to reimburse a portion of the cost of such testing and the associated remediation.

A10679/8093: This bill was passed by both houses this session and signed by the Governor. This bill will facilitate early detection and treatment of breast cancer, this bill would force

insurance companies to prohibit deductibles, co-payments, and coinsurance for mammograms and other screening and diagnostic imaging. In addition, certified mammography facilities would provide extended hours; and allow New York City public employees up to four hours of paid leave annually for breast cancer screenings.

A7704: This bill was passed in the New York State Assembly this session. This bill provides that certain state and local officers convicted of a felony involving breach of public trust be subject to forfeiture of pension benefits.

A10129/S07601: This bill was passed in both houses this session. This bill updates legislation previously passed requiring drinking water suppliers to submit every five years an analysis of vulnerability to a terrorist attack. This bill would update that chapter to require the analysis to also include vulnerability to a cyber-attack. Further, the bill enhances information sharing within state government related to possible terrorist or cyber terror attack by requiring this vulnerability assessment to be shared with state police and the department of homeland security and emergency management.

A10713/S8123: This bill was passed in both houses this session. This bill would strengthen civil penalties and create a new criminal penalty within the arts and cultural affairs law for the use of ticket purchasing software, also known as "bots."

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## ASSEMBLY IN YOUR AREA

We invite you to visit Assemblyman Miller with any questions, concerns or to apply for a free senior emergency medical card.

**Sept 15th** at 10:30 a.m. Ozone Park Senior Center 103-02 101st Avenue

**Sept 20th** at 11 a.m. Woodhaven /Richmond Hill Senior Center 89-02 91st Street, Woodhaven

**Sept 23rd** at 10 a.m. Ridgewood Older Adult Senior Center 59-14 70th Ave Ridgewood

**Oct 4th** at 12:45 p.m. Woodhaven /Richmond Hill Senior Center 89-02 91st Street, Woodhaven

**Oct 12th** at 1 p.m. Ridgewood Older Adult Senior Center 59-14 70th Ave Ridgewood

**Oct 14th** at 12:30 p.m. Ozone Park Senior Center 103-02 101st Avenue Ozone Park