

WE'RE OFF AND RUNNING IN 2019

Dear Neighbor,

As we commence the second half of the legislative session, I wanted to take the opportunity to update you on some of what we have been working on. From election reform to women's rights, the state legislature has tackled several relevant issues this year. In addition to our work in Albany, my district office has been busy addressing local concerns and meeting with constituents and community stakeholders.

As always, my staff and I are happy to assist you with any questions, ideas and/or problems you may like to discuss. I encourage you to contact my office at (516) 676-0050.

Sincerely,

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Legislative Update New Laws What You Should Know!

VOTING RIGHTS

As Chair of the New York State Assembly Elections Law Committee, I am proud to report that New York will now have early voting starting nine days before Election Day. We have finally consolidated state and federal primary days, which will also save New Yorkers the added cost of at least \$25 million required to pay for each primary. New Yorkers will have the right to vote on whether to adopt a no excuse absentee ballot system and to allow our citizens to register to vote on Election Day. We will allow 16 and 17 year olds to pre-register so they can vote as soon as they become 18. Limited Liability Corporations are now limited in the amounts of money they can contribute.

WOMEN'S RIGHTS

New York has enacted the Reproductive Health Act and the Comprehensive Contraceptive Coverage Act and we have passed the Equal rights Amendment. Our State is once again the national leader in protecting and advancing women's rights which are human rights.

FIGHTING AGAINST GUN VIOLENCE

We have finally enacted a law providing for Extreme Risk Protection Orders, allowing family members, educators and law enforcement to procure court orders removing weapons from those who are a danger to themselves or to our community. We have also extended the waiting period before someone may legally purchase a gun.

HUMAN RIGHTS

Gender discrimination is no longer legal and New York's mental health professionals are now prohibited from engaging in conversion therapy.

PROTECTING CHILDREN

New York has finally passed the Child Victims Act, sending a strong message to anyone who would sexually abuse a child. This extends the period of time for victims to sue their assailants and allows victims for whom the statute of limitations has passed a chance to begin lawsuits for damages.

PROTECTING TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

New York has taken a major step to advance public education by removing punitive laws that tied the career evaluations of teachers and administrators to the test scores of their students. Teaching is supposed to be about educating, protecting and nurturing our school age children. It is not supposed to be consumed with drop-dead testing.

Assemblymember Lavine begins the 2019 legislative session by arguing the need for election law reform on the Assembly floor.





Glen Cove High School students Mindy Morales and Yanira Acosta meet with Assemblymember Lavine in his district office to discuss their government assignment and upcoming trip to Albany.



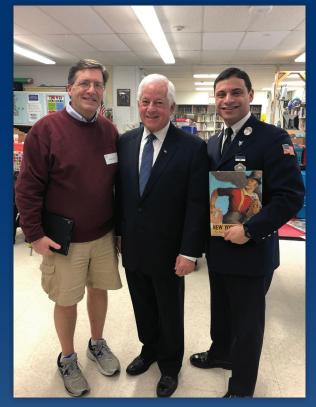
Helen Kotzky, Antonia Petrash and Betty Cammisa from the League of Women Voters visit Assemblymember Lavine in his district office to discuss upcoming legislation.



Assemblymember Lavine attends the grand re-opening of La Vicharra restaurant in Glen Cove. From left to right are Council Member Marsha Silverman, Mayor Tim Tenke, Business Owner Pilar Valli, Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton, and members of the Glen Cove Chamber of Commerce.



Assemblymember Lavine speaks at a press conference in support of SCO Family of Services and Strong Nonprofits for a Better New York at the Westbrook Preparatory School in Westbury.



Assemblymember Lavine attends Guest Reader Day at Connolly Elementary School in Glen Cove with Dan Cox and Michael Mienko.



Assemblymember Lavine collects donations for the Government Food and Supplies Drive with Long Island Cares Director of Government Affairs Michael Haynes and CEO Paule Pachter.



Christopher and Teresa Cafiero drop off several large boxes of donations including personal care products, toiletries and pet food for Assemblymember Lavine's Government Food and Supplies Drive.



Mona Lavine stops by to visit her Dad at the office.



Governor Andrew Cuomo signs Assemblymember Lavine's Election Reform Bills into Law with Lieutenant Governor Kathy Hochul, State Senator Zellnor Myrie, State Senator James Sanders Jr. and Actor Ben Stiller.



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Assemblymember Lavine attends the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Makerspace Activity Center, a new area dedicated to attracting more teenagers to the Bryant Library in Roslyn.