

Dear Neighbors,

As I reflect on this past year, I am filled with gratitude. It has been my honor to be your representative in the NYS Assembly, and has been, indeed, a pleasure to work in a community, where we can fight side by side to resolve issues together. Whether it was taking positions regarding The City of Yes, the use of Floyd Bennett Field as a local solution to a national problem, or the concerns raised regarding Congestion Pricing, we stood together.

We may not win all of our battles, but I will always stand up for you and with you, and together we will win the wars. As this year draws to a close, I reaffirm my commitment to you and to our community.

Sincerely,

Assemblywoman Jaime Williams

As Chair of the Committee on Real Property Taxation, I would like to highlight a few bills moved by our committee during state budget negotiations:

- The Committee successfully negotiated deeper affordability measures into the new Affordable Housing from Commercial Conversion Tax Incentive Program which incentivized the conversion of commercial buildings to affordable housing in New York City. (ELFA R)
- The Committee successfully negotiated deeper affordability measures into the extension of the construction completion date for 421-A housing projects that had already began construction prior to June 15th, 2031. (ELFA T)
- The Committee successfully negotiated deeper affordability measures into the 421-A replacement program, Affordable Neighborhoods for New Yorkers, which uses real property tax incentives to encourage the development of affordable housing across New York City. (ELFA U)
- The Committee successfully negotiated deeper affordability measures into the new statewide Exemption of Newly Constructed or Converted Rental Multiple Dwellings Program allowing municipalities to optinto real property tax incentives to encourage the conversion or new construction of affordable housing within their jurisdictions. (ELFA EE)
- The Committee successfully negotiated the Executive proposal to amend the real property tax law to ensure that surplus funds resulting from tax foreclosure sales are returned to the former property owner. (REV N)

Authorizes Local Assessors to Accept Certain Retroactive Tax Exemptions

A.1288-A (Williams); Reported to Ways and Means

This legislation would allow assessors to accept applications for exemption pursuant to sections 420-a and 420-b of the Real Property Tax Law, without the need for a local law, when a non-profit organization purchases the subject property after the applicable taxable status date.

Raises Tax Exemption Cap on Capital Improvements to Residential Buildings

A.1289-A (Williams); Reported to Ways and Means

This legislation would amend the capital improvements tax exemption to raise the maximum amount of home improvement value that can be exempt from property taxes from \$80,000 to \$168,000. This increase reflects inflation adjustments based on the Consumer Price Index and aims to encourage homeowners to renovate instead of relocating.

Allows Local Governments to Provide Tax Relief to the Widows of Police Officers

A.10279-A (Williams); Referred to Rules

This legislation would authorize local governments to adopt an exemption of up to 50% from real property taxes for the surviving spouses of police officers killed in the line of duty.

Allows Local Governments to Grant Property Tax Relief for Child Day Cares

A.10280 (Williams); Referred to Ways and Means

This legislation would allow local governments to adopt an exemption from real property taxes for property used to operate a licensed child day care. A local government may set the exemption at not more than 50%.

The Year in Review: Here are





63rd Precinct meet new officers



69th Precinct meet new officers

9-11 Memorial



Back to School



Chinese New Year with Assemblyman Bill Colton and Chairwoman Fran Vella Marone





Caribbean Festival



Assemblywoman Williams, Honorable Tevin Andrews, Minister of Carriacou, Michael Vincent, Grenada Cultural Association and Calvin Sennon, Visit Canarsie



Contingent Visits Richmond Home Geriatric where residents of Carricaou were placed after Hurricane Beryl. Assemblywoman Williams Pictured with Assemblywoman Chandler-Waterman, Jean Joseph, Judy Newton, and Jennifer Viechweg-Horsford, Visit Canarsie





Aquarium Trip



Summer Sea Stem at Kingsborough Community College with Assemblyman Alec Brook-Krasny





Diwali Ceremony



Easter Egg Hunt

a few highlights from 2024







Harvest Festival



Hurricane Beryl Relief Efforts Carriacou









Tour of wildfires



Pro-Israel rally



School packets distributed at the Boca Secondary School in Grenada









Summer Sea Stem at Kingsborough Community College with students and Interim President



Press Conference regarding Anti-

Semitic Incident

Veterans Day Display along Ave N



Veterans Day Display



Memorial Day -Canarsie



Local Heroes Memorialized at Canarsie Cemetery on Memorial Day



Canarsie Memorial Day Parade







BUDGET RESTORATIONS 2024-2025

Organization	Amount Funded
Bergen Basin Community Development	\$400,000
Campaign Against Hunger	\$650,000
East Flatbush Village Inc	\$250,000
Jamaica Bay Rockaway Conservancy Parks	\$75,000
Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce	\$650,000
St. Francis De Sales School of the Deaf	\$150,000
West Indian Day Carnival Association	\$250,000
Zoos, Botanical Gardens and Aquarium	\$10,000,000
Hope Program	\$50,000
Sesame Flyers	\$100,000



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69th Precinct Community Council Inc Engagement and Public Safety	\$10,000	Community Programs and Events
Blue Card Inc	\$10,000	Jewish Services and Educational Programs
Gerristen Beach Cares Inc	\$10,000	Community Engagement Events
Hendrickson Lott House Preservation Association	\$10,000	Urban Agriculture and Recreational Activities
Jewish Community Council of Canarsie Inc	\$10,000	Senior Programs and Food Assistance
Marine Park Alliance Corp	\$25,000	Community Programs and Events
New York United Jewish Association Inc	\$10,000	Educational Programs for Youths
Research Foundation of CUNY Kingsborough Community College	\$110,000	Youth Engagement Summer Steam at Sea
Stalwarts Youth Corporation	\$10,000	Youth Literacy