

# Rebecca Seawright



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## A Message From Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright

Dear Neighbor,

This weekend is the 98th anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment on August 18 giving women the right to vote. We celebrate the long fought battle and continue to fight in the Assembly for full equality for women in New York State.

I hope you will take a ride on the New York City Ferry's Soundview Line, now making trips from the East 90th Street Pier. We look forward to the completion of the repairs at Carl Schurz Park so all may enjoy full access to the landing to board the ferry. Representatives of Target retail store met with me and my staff at the district community office regarding the concerns for the proposed Upper East Side location including double parking and delivery schedule.

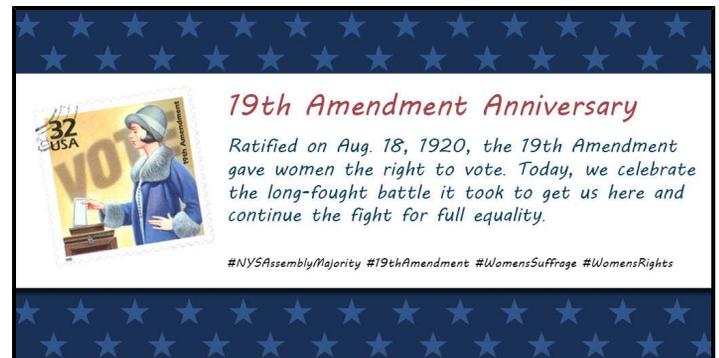
Please join us at one of our upcoming events:

- **Tuesday, August 21 – 4:00 pm - Seawright Housing Legal Clinic @ 1485 York Avenue**
- **Wednesday, August 22 - 10:00 am - 1:00 pm - Roosevelt Island Constituent Hours @ Roosevelt Island Senior Center, 546 Main Street**
- **Thursday, September 20th - 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm - Clean Community Event @ Webster Branch, NYPL**

I hope you find this update informative. Please stay in touch with my office about any issues that are important to you. As always, we are just a visit, call, or email away.

Sincerely,

**REBECCA A. SEAWRIGHT**



## Community Update...

# NEW YORK POST

**Seawright Codemns the Behavior of Dirty Doorman on the Upper East Side**

# Dealing With 'Dirty Doorman'

• I condemn the reprehensible behavior described in the Post's coverage of a doorman who allegedly sent unsolicited, explicit photos to female residents of the building that employed him. It must be stopped ("Slamming the door," Aug 10).

Residents must feel safe in their homes and not subjected to unwanted sexual communications from the very staff members hired to protect them.

New York state's stalking, disorderly conduct and obscenity statutes provide some remedies.

**THE ISSUE:** The city's response to a doorman who allegedly sent unwanted photos of his penis to six women.

These most recent incidents reveal that there is a need for much more to be done.

I commend Sen. Liz Krueger and Assembly Member Edward Braunstein for their efforts to give law enforcement officials more effective tools.

**Rebecca Seawright**  
Assembly Member  
76th District  
Manhattan

investigating brick-throwing and knife-wielding Roy Rodriguez, and the dopey doorman, Jonathon Aviles, who allegedly sent photos of his private parts to everyone but Santa Claus ("Don't Let It Be a Trend," Editorial, Aug. 14).

Without The Post's intervention, these would have been two more crimes that we never knew happened.

**Tom Stagg**  
Brooklyn

• Thanks to The Post for

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Six women in Tudor City have come forward to report unwanted lewd pictures from their doorman in June and July. The NYPD had closed all of their cases because the doorman's actions were offensive but not technically an arrestable offense.

Assembly Member Seawright was disturbed to hear the treatment of the victims by law enforcement officials and submitted the above letter to the editor of The Post.

She said "**residents must feel safe in their homes and not subjected to unwanted sexual communications from the very staff members hired to protect them.**"

As a result, she has been invited by Assembly Member Braunstein to cosponsor his legislation to extend the same protections for telephone users against aggravated harassment to those who may also be using electronic communications such as text or email.

In follow-up, experts in the field of revenge porn have reported that the app "TextMe" used to harass has been subpoenaed in the past. Former prosecutors have also noted that individuals sending unwanted pics could be identified by their tattoos.

## East 90th Street Ferry Landing Opening and Maiden Voyage of the Soundview Route



CB8 Chairwoman Alida Camp, CB8 Members Craig Lader and Tricia Shimamura, Friends of the East River Esplanade's Jennifer Ratner, Council Member Ben Kallos, Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright and CB8 District Manager Will Brightbill at the launch of the Soundview Route

"The launch of the latest line of NYC Ferry service offers an attractive alternative for commuting around town. NYC has already been successful in putting more commuters and day travelers on the waterfront. Ferry service not only enriches our quality of life but also provides a much needed additional source of

- 8/21 - Housing Legal Clinic
- 9/5 & 9/19 Metro Card Bus
- 9/5 - Transportation Committee Meeting
- 9/18 - The Emoji Movie
- 9/18 - Clear the Shelters Event
- 9/20 - Clean Community Presentation
- August Alzheimer's Foundation of America Community Class Calendar

### Construction Updates:

- 74th Street Construction Working Group
- The New York Public Library Temporary Closure
- MTS Construction Look-ahead

District Community Office:

1485 York Avenue

(78/79 Streets)

New York, NY 10075

212-288-4607

Albany Office:



public transportation. I encourage all my neighbors to journey on the East River," said Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright.

## NEW FERRY LINE OPEN!

Our community will benefit from a stop on the Soundview to Wall Street Ferry Line. The ride to Wall St. from East 90th will take about 27 minutes which includes a stop at East 34th street, and the ride to Soundview will take about 18 minutes. The cost to ride is only \$2.75. For more information, the schedule, and reduced fare applications visit: <https://www.ferry.nyc/routes-and-schedules/route/soundview/>.

## Governor Cuomo Signs Bills Protecting Women and Children From Sex Trafficking



Rebecca with constituent Helene Goldfarb greeting Governor Cuomo

I am proud to be a cosponsor of the End Child Sex Trafficking Act, one of the bills signed into law by Governor Cuomo this week. This legislation would eliminate the requirement to prove force, fraud or coercion in prosecutions for sex trafficking of a minor, creating an affirmative defense for victims 19 and younger. This bill will bring New York State law in line with federal legislation as it ultimately aims to protect young victims and adequately punish the perpetrators of this outrageous crime. Human trafficking plagues all of our communities and is a crime that cuts deep into the fabric of New York City. It is critical that we continue to work together as a community to abolish human trafficking.



## Seawright Announces Affordability Package for Roosevelt Island Westview Residents



Seawright expresses her support for the Westview residents at a townhall.

New York Assembly Member Seawright announced her continued support of residents following an agreement that will preserve 55% of Roosevelt Island Westview's 361-apartment affordable housing development, for middle-class residents on Roosevelt Island for the next 30 years. The agreement comes after Seawright's advocacy to reach a fair deal for residents and provide the option to continue renting with protections that align with New York City rent regulations or first-time homeownership opportunities at below-market, insider pricing.

**Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright said, "In working with stakeholders throughout negotiations, those who have made their home and have grown families in Westview were my motivation to move forward the work of the agencies involved by bringing them together in my district community office. This deal successfully established choice for Westview residents and is a step towards preserving affordability in our city and state."**

Stakeholders on Roosevelt Island lauded Seawright's leadership in keeping lines of communication open and pushing for holistic and fair negotiations between Homes and Community Renewal (HCR), Roosevelt Island Operating Corporation (RIOC), and Empire State Development (ESD) agencies.

**President and CEO of RIOC Susan Rosenthal said, "I thank State Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright for her support during the negotiation period. Hundreds of Roosevelt Islanders will be allowed the opportunity to either buy or continue to rent their home at a reasonable cost because of this agreement."**

**Opher Pail, Co-Chair, Westview Task Force, Inc. said, "This affordability plan is great news for Roosevelt Island. All Westview residents will be able to continue living in their homes. Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright relentlessly and effectively advocated on behalf of Westview tenants for a deal that will provide security for residents for years to come."**



*Seawright leads meeting with Westview Task Force*

The Office of Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright will continue to support residents throughout the transition and will host a resource fair for Westview residents in the fall.

## Seawright Takes Aim at Target in Meeting with Officials to Discuss Community Concerns Over New Upper East Side Retail Store



In a meeting with a Target representative, Assembly Member Seawright brought up community concerns about a new Target store opening on 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue between 69<sup>th</sup> and 70<sup>th</sup> streets. At the meeting the issues of zoning, permits, garbage, staffing, increased traffic, size and signage were among the items discussed. The representative from Target addressed the general plan and mission of the Target Corporation along with discussing what type of merchandise would be sold at the new location.



## Message from Community Board 8 - Affordable Housing Survey

Hello CB8M Community!

We're developing the program for an upcoming forum on affordable housing in our neighborhood, and we're hoping to get your feedback. We've put together a survey to gather insights from members of the community to ensure that the discussion is informative.

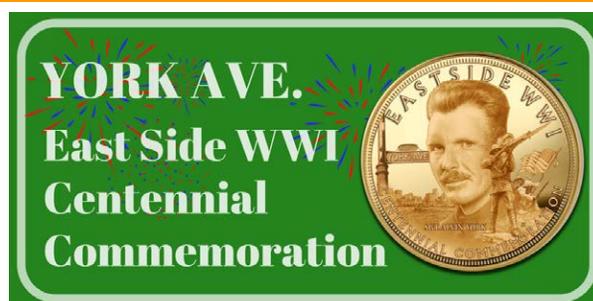
If you have 5 minutes to spare, please fill out the survey linked below:  
<https://goo.gl/forms/IgWvCpRgXeFliD7z2>

If you're interested in attending the forum in person, save the date of **September 26th at 6:30 pm**. Be on the lookout for details.

Best,

Alida Camp  
Chair, Community Board 8 Manhattan

## World War I Centennial Commemoration Committee Updates



# WWI CENTENNIAL COMMEMORATION & CELEBRATION OF YORK AVENUE



## Events Schedule

Co-Chairs  
Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright  
and Howard Teich

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TUESDAY, JUNE 12- SEPTEMBER 1- AMERICAN PATRIOTS: THE TUSKEGEE AIRMEN AND THE HARLEM HELLFIGHTERS

SATURDAY, JUNE 30 - SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9  
MOUNT VERNON HOTEL MUSEUM AND GARDEN  
EXHIBIT  
NEW YORK WOMEN, WAR AND PATRIOTISM: 1812 - 1918



WEBSTER LIBRARY FILM FESTIVAL  
SATURDAYS @ 2 PM  
9/8, 9/22, 10/6, 10/20, 11/3, 11/17, 12/1  
FILMS TO BE ANNOUNCED WILL INCLUDE: THE GOOD SOLDIER SCHWEIK, HEARTS OF THE WORLD, THE GARDEN PARTY, GOOD MORNING BABYLON, MEN OF BRONZE, OVER THERE 1914-1918

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13 - THE BREAKING OF THE HINDENBURG LINE DINNER  
6:00PM @ THE ARMORY, BOARD OF OFFICERS ROOM- 1ST FLOOR, 643 PARK AVE.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18, 6PM- SCREENING OF SGT. YORK FILM WITH GARY COOPER @ LYCÉE FRANÇAIS DE NEW YORK



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11 - VETERAN'S DAY ANNUAL EVENT @ THE ARMORY, TIFFANY ROOM

MONDAY, OCTOBER 22 - LECTURE "FEEDING THE FIGHT: FOOD, POLICY, AND PROPAGANDA"

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16 - SGT. YORK PLAY @ THE ARMORY, TIFFANY ROOM

. [For updates on the Committee's work, upcoming events and to learn about WWI history look at our new website here.](#)



East Side WWI Centennial Commemoration Committee Co-Chairs Rebecca Seawright and Howard Teich lead a planning meeting

## Roosevelt Island

### NYS Certifies RI Water Fountain Test Results

RIOC plans meeting with Roosevelt Island Residents Association leaders to discuss

ROOSEVELT ISLAND – (August 8, 2019) – After reviewing a second round of Roosevelt Island outdoor drinking-fountain water test results, a top New York State health official, in a statement released Tuesday, said the water is up to standard.

RIOC is planning to meet with Jeff Escobar, president of the Roosevelt Island Residents Association, and other Island leaders, to discuss the results, answer questions and share potential further remediation plans.

For more information, contact Alonza Robertson, [alonza.robertson@rioc.ny.gov](mailto:alonza.robertson@rioc.ny.gov), 212.832.4540.

## The Grandpa Al Lewis Playground at Capobianco Field & Blackwell Park Playground Closed Until October 15 for Renovations

New padded-rubber flooring will replace the existing broken concrete, cracked asphalt and wood-chip ground surfaces. New fencing and picnic tables will also be installed.

The replacement and installation of some new playground equipment for those playgrounds is planned for Phase 2 of the project to start in the spring of 2019.

### SAVE THE DATE! EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN FORUM SEPTEMBER 13

**WHO:** The Roosevelt Island Operating Corporation's Public Safety Department

**WHAT:** Will host an open community forum to present the Island's Emergency Management Plan

**WHEN:** Thursday, September 13, 2018 at 6 p.m.

**WHERE:** Chapel of the Good Shepherd, 543 Main Street, Roosevelt Island, N.Y.

**WHY:** The forum is to inform residents of the basic emergency plan that outlines responsibilities and procedures that will be implemented – to protect life and property - in the event of a natural or man-made disaster on Roosevelt Island.

### Upcoming Events ...

**ASSEMBLY MEMBER**

**REBECCA A. SEAWRIGHT**



**HOUSING  
LEGAL  
CLINIC**

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 21**

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SEAWRIGHTR@NYASSEMBLY.GOV**

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NEW YORK CITY COUNCIL MEMBER

**BEN KALLOS**



NYC Parks

## NOT EASY BEING MEH



**Saturday, August 18 at 7:30PM**

Stanley Isaacs Playground @ 96<sup>th</sup> Street and 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue  
*FREE: Popcorn, Frozen Treats and Movie at Sunset*

**RSVP** at [BenKallos.com/Events](http://BenKallos.com/Events)

Download our adoption app to see available animals 'ACC of NYC'



**CLEAR THE SHELTERS**

**AUGUST 18**

Adoptions open at 10:00 am  
**ALL ADOPTION FEES WAIVED**



**Manhattan Animal Care Center**  
326 East 110th Street (between 1st and 2nd Aves.)  
**Brooklyn Animal Care Center**  
2336 Linden Boulevard  
**Staten Island Animal Care Center**  
3139 Veterans Road West

ClearTheShelters.com  
#ClearTheShelters

DesocuparLosAlbergues.com  
#DesocuparAlbergues



**AFA's Care Connection  
August Community Classes**

Connecting makes all the difference as we age. Take advantage of AFA's Education and Resource Center's community programming.

**All classes are OPEN TO THE PUBLIC & FREE!**

<p><b>Thursday</b> <b>August 2, 2018</b> Broadway Music Concert TIME: 2:00pm-3:00pm Presented by: Sing For Your Seniors</p>	<p><b>Tuesday</b> <b>August 7, 2018</b> "I Got Rhythm" Drum Circle TIME: 3:00pm -4:00pm Presented by: Berko Music Therapy</p>	<p><b>Tuesday</b> <b>August 14, 2018</b> Gardening: Summer Blooms TIME: 10:00am -11:00am Presented by: NYU Medical Center</p>	<p><b>Thursday</b> <b>August 23, 2018</b> Ballroom Burn TIME: 3:00pm-4:00pm Presented by: Rhythm Break Cares</p>	<p><b>Tuesday</b> <b>August 28, 2018</b> Chair Yoga TIME: 2:00pm-3:00pm Presented by: Tonya Sisco</p>
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**AFA's Education and Resource Center**  
322 8th Avenue - 8th Floor  
New York, NY 10001



Register online at [www.alzfdn.org/events](http://www.alzfdn.org/events) or call 866-232-8484

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**1485 York Avenue**



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## CB8M - Sept. Transportation Committee Meeting

Transportation Committee  
Wednesday, September 5th - 6:30PM  
New York Blood Center  
310 East 67<sup>th</sup> Street, Auditorium

### AGENDA

Continued discussion on the DOT proposed Second Avenue Parking Protected/Curbside Buffered Bike Lane from 68th to 59th Streets

**Charles S. Warren and Craig M. Lader, Co-Chairs, Transportation Committee**

NOTE: Crosstown bike lanes will **NOT** be discussed at the September meeting. No action will be taken on the subject of crosstown bike lanes in September. DOT will provide more than 30 days of notice in advance of the scheduling of further discussion of crosstown lanes.

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### Construction Updates

**MEMORIAL SLOAN KETTERING CANCER CENTER**

**&**

**CUNY/HUNTER COLLEGE**

**CONSTRUCTION ADVISORY**

**East 73rd/74th Street and FDR Drive site**

- Necessary construction activity will take place at the site on **Saturday, August 18th and Sunday, August 19th, 7:00 am - 6:00 pm**

Please call the project's Construction Information Line at **212-639-4444** with any questions or comments.

We apologize for any inconvenience and appreciate your patience.

# 74th Street Project - CWG Look Ahead (August 2018)

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		8/5 - 8/11				8/12 - 8/18				8/19 - 8/25				8/26 - 9/1								
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1	Installation of Interior Mechanical/Electrical/Plumbing Systems																					
2	Installation of Interior Partitions																					
3	Curtainwall Delivery and Installation																					
4	Exterior Metal Wall Panel Installation (Western Façade)																					

## TWO WEEK LOOK-AHEAD

Monday, August 13 - Sunday, August 26 2018  
East 91st Street Marine Transfer Station

X Scheduled

Deliveries - including concrete with pump at all Zones

M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S
8/13	8/14	8/15	8/16	8/17	8/18	8/19	8/20	8/21	8/22	8/23	8/24	8/25	8/26
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**ZONE 1: Ramp Work (Along field) & York Ave/91st Street**

York Ave restoration work (Line stripping, traffic signals, Electrical work)

X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X	X		
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**ZONE 2A: Ramp Work (Along field)**

Install utilities

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**ZONE 2B: Ramp Work (Asphalt Green back door)**

Temp fence, Concrete demo, Excavation  
Painting/Insulate Pipes

X	X	X	X	X									
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**ZONE 2C: Ramp Work (FDR overpass & Esplanade)**

Install utilities including hangers and piping  
Painting/Insulate Pipes

X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X	X		
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**ZONE 3: Marine Work**

MTS building interior walls and ceilings  
Mechanical, electrical and plumbing installation  
Building envelope and roof

X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X	X		
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