



Dear Neighbor,

This Monday, May 27 is Memorial Day, a day to honor the bravery of the men and women who defend our freedom and the families who have made the ultimate sacrifice. As a reminder, our office is closed on Monday, May 27 in observation of a legal state government holiday and we will re-open on Tuesday, May 28 at 9:30am.

A hearing on sexual harassment in the workplace took place today at City Hall. This hearing was significant, shining a light on the emotional and physical turmoil caused by the acts of discrimination and humiliation that both women and men face in the workplace. After hearing the powerful testimony, I am compelled to work with my colleagues to advance legislation to combat harassment in the workplace and continue to fight for the Equal Rights Amendment to anchor our rights in the New York State Constitution.

This week another crucial step was taken toward putting an end to senseless gun violence. We voted to pass legislation I cosponsored to ban undetectable guns. While technology can benefit industry, we must put the safety and security of New Yorkers first!

If our office may be of service, remember that we are just a call, email or visit away!

Sincerely,





Seawright with guest of honor Dr. Barbara Rosen in the Assembly Chamber.

## Ethics Committee Holds Sexual Harassment Legislative Hearing

Seawright supports Sexual Harassment Working Group 2019 Agenda



Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright heard testimony regarding the pervasive issue of sexual harassment in the workplace. She is supporting the Sexual Harassment Working Group 2019 Agenda including ending the "severe or pervasive" standard for discriminatory harassment and additional protections.

Chair of the Ethics and Guidance Committee, Assembly Member Simotas reviewing testimony with Assembly Member Seawright



## Weill Cornell Medicine Community Clinic

Seawright meets with medical students, Junior and Senior Clinicians



### New Gym Construction fo Eleanor Roosevelt High School Announced

#### Addressing the need for P.E. space on the Upper East Side



Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright joined Council Member Ben Kallos and the New York City School Construction Authority (SCA) President and CEO Lorraine Grillo announcing the plans to build a \$6.5 million gym for Eleanor Roosevelt High School (EHRS) across the street at 355 East 76<sup>th</sup> Street as part of a new Pre-K Center. At the announcement, Seawright, Kallos and Grillo were joined by Principal Dimitri Saliani. Other speakers included ERHS alumni Amanda Cavaliero who asked Mayor Bill de Blasio for the gym at a town hall last year as well as Sadie Wenger who was one of the students who gathered more than 5,000 signatures as part of a petition to push the City to build a gym.



"As a member of the Assembly Education Committee and parent of two students who attended and graduated from NYC public school, I strongly support the importance of funding recreation in schools so students are not only academically challenged but physically and socially supported during gym class or recess. I commend Council Member Ben Kallos and School Construction Authority's President and CEO Lorraine Grillo for being advocates for public schools and our youngest New Yorkers by securing space for a gymnasium on the Upper East Side. Congratulations to the Eleanor Roosevelt High School community and Principal Dimitri Saliani for garnering support on a petition to express the need for a physical education space on the UES," said Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright.

#### **Legislation Bans Undetectable Guns**

#### Continued effort to prevent gun violence

Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright announced that she cosponsored and voted to help pass legislation criminalizing the manufacture, sale, transport and possession of firearms, rifles, shotguns or the major components of such weapons that are undetectable by a metal detector and other machines commonly used for security purposes (A.763-A).

"Places we used to frequent without a second thought – movie theaters, schools, houses of worship – have become sites of tragic mass shootings," Seawright said. "With the advancement of technology and creation of undetectable guns, even places with high security may not be safe. By prohibiting these weapons, we can help ensure that crucial safety measures like metal detectors are effectively doing their job."

Thousands of lives are taken each year by guns. In fact, in 2017, the United States witnessed 39,773 gun deaths, the highest rate in nearly 40 years. Disturbingly, technology has made guns even easier to come by, including undetectable guns, which cannot be detected by metal detectors or other scanning devices used at airports and other populated places. Anyone can go online, download a blueprint and 3D print a gun right off the internet.

The undetectable gun legislation builds on our continued efforts to prevent and reduce gun violence in New York State.

#### Seawright Meets with NYU Langone Medical Professionals



Dr. Sudheer Jain, Assistant Professor of Anesthesiology and Director of Perioperative Anesthesiology Services at Tisch Hospital, Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright, and Dr. Jung T. Kim, Associate Professor and Executive Vice Chairman of the NYU School of Medicine Department of Anesthesiology.

#### **Driver's Licenses For All**

Will improve road safety, raise revenue and boost the economy

Getting behind the wheel and on the road is how many New Yorkers start off their days, whether they are going to work, running errands or going to school. For undocumented immigrants, driving is a dangerous and risky activity because they are barred from receiving a New York State



driver's license. The Driver's License Access and Privacy Act puts these opportunities within reach for undocumented New Yorkers by allowing them to apply for a standard state driver's license (A.3675). If passed into law, New York would join Utah and 11 other states – plus Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia – in allowing undocumented immigrants to apply for a driver's license.

It's important to note that under this legislation, standard driver's licenses would continue to have "NOT FOR FEDERAL PURPOSES" clearly stated on them, and undocumented immigrants would not be eligible for an Enhanced or Real-ID driver's license.

Licensing would provide a boost to state and local economies by removing barriers to transportation that prevent immigrant New Yorkers from finding or commuting to jobs while helping families get to the doctor and to school. In neighborhoods that have limited public transportation, including rural and agricultural communities, this legislation would benefit all those who reside and work there.

The signs all point in one direction – if we want New York to keep moving forward, allowing all New Yorkers to drive safely and legally is critical.

## Hunter College Intern Christina Valeros Successfully Completes Service to District 76



#### Volunteer Gardeners Gather at Mount Vernon Hotel Museum & Garden



Sarah Gallagher Director of Upper Green Side



Assembly Member Seawright's Legislative Counsel Rebecca Graham and Council Member Ben Kallos

Constituent Deb Denenberg

Carl Schurz Park volunteer gardener

## **Supporting Local Press**

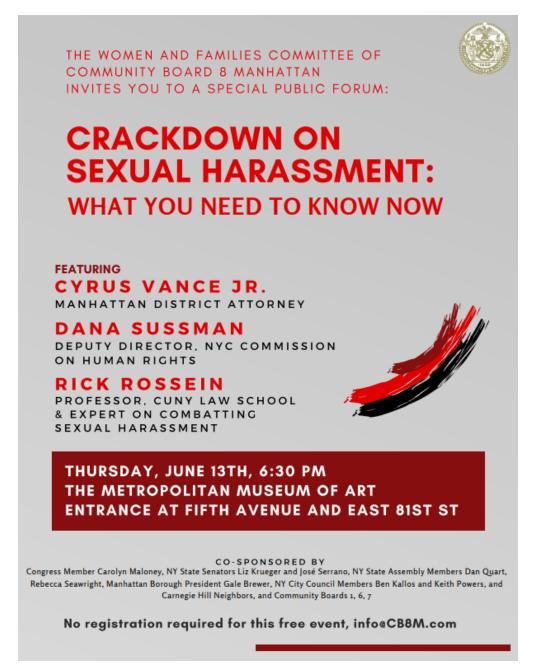
Mayor de Blasio signed an executive order mandating all agencies of the City of New York to spend at least 50 percent of their annual print and

digital publication advertising for community and ethnic media outlets by the end of fiscal year 2020, and for every fiscal year thereafter.

"A free, independent press is essential for democracy. I commend Mayor de Blasio's initiative that will increase transparency, promote local media outlets, and support small businesses which are the backbone of our communities," said Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright.

New York City is one of the most diverse cities in America, and community and ethnic media provides an important way for the City to connect and ensure that its message and services reaches all New Yorkers. This executive order is part of the de Blasio Administration's plan to provide equal access to City services to all communities citywide, and strengthening its commitment to community and ethnic media.

#### **Upcoming Events**



## ASSEMBLY MEMBER Rebecca A. Seawright

# HOUSING LEGAL CLINIC

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## TUES. JUNE 11

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AT 4:00 PM ATTORNEYS FROM THE LAW OFFICES OF GRIMBLE & LOGUIDICE, LLC WILL PROVIDE ADVICE ON HOUSING-RELATED MATTERS FOR CONSTITUENTS OF THE 76TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

DISTRICT COMMUNITY OFFICE OF ASSEMBLY MEMBER REBECCA A. SEAWRIGHT 1485 YORK AVENUE (78/79 STREETS)

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#### Fleet Week New York

Wednesday, May 22 to Tuesday, May 28 Notice Regarding Changes to Normal Operations in Your Area Please be aware that the Fleet Week New York will occur from Wednesday, May 22,

Please be aware that the Fleet Week New York will occur from Wednesday, May 22, 2019 to Monday, May 28, 2019. The City of New York is dedicated to providing as much information as possible to ensure that residents and business owners of affected areas are informed about interruptions in normal operations. The purpose of this communication is to inform you of the details of this event and any changes to normal ment operations in the area.

The Fleet New York will draw visitors to locations throughout the five boroughs. Large military ships as well as military air craft will be visible throughout New York. For a full list of Fleet Week New York activities, please visit fleetweeknewyork.com.

#### Ship Events

EVENT	LOCATION	NOTICE	TIME AFFECTED
Parade of Ships	Lower New York Bay (Staten Island/Brooklyn) to George Washington Bridge (Manhattan)	Large fleet of military ships in NYC waters	Wed. May 22 7am to 1pm
Fort Hamilton Salute to Ships	United States Army Garrison Fort Hamilton (Brooklyn)	11-gun salute during the Parade of Ships	Wed. May 22, 7am to 8am

#### Air Events

EVENT	LOCATION	TIME AFFECTED
USCG Flyover during Parade of Ships	New York Harbor	Wed. May 22 7am to 1pm
USMC Helicopter Landing and Display	Francis Lewis High School Queens	Fri. May 25 10am to 12pm
Marine Day Prospect Park – Helicopter	Brooklyn, Prospect Park	Sat. May 26. 10am-4:30pm

Landing and Aviation Displa		
Coast Guard Search and Rescue Demonstration	Staten Island, Homeport Pier	Sat. May 25, 12pm to 12:30pm
US Navy Flyover	Mets Game, Citi Field	Sun. May 26 1pm
Navy Flyover and Gun Salute	Manhattan, Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum, Pier 86	Mon. May 27, 11am to 1:00pm
USCG Search and Rescue Demonstration	Manhattan, Pier 88	Mon. May 27, 2pm to 2:30pm

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