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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

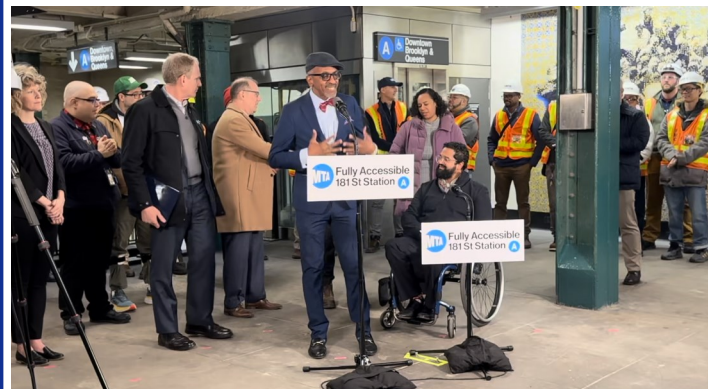


Redirecting Funds to CUNY with the REPAIR Bill

I stand with CUNY! Senator John Liu and Assembly Member Zohran Mamdani introduced the Repeal Egregious Property Accumulation and Invest it Right Bill (REPAIR) which aims to ensure that private institutions such as Columbia and NYU pay property taxes. Presently these institutions have been exempt from \$321 Million dollars in property taxes which the REPAIR bill seeks to use to fund and support CUNY schools who are presently struggling from budget cuts. CUNY is an education lifeline for students of all backgrounds, and every dollar that can be redirected to this institution will ensure that our youth, and all New Yorkers alike can receive a quality education.

ADA Accessible 181st Street Station

Presently, the MTA is on a mission to make an incredible 95% of our subway stations ADA accessible by 2055. I am happy to report that in December our 181st Street A-station has been updated and is now fully ADA accessible! This is a monumental leap forward in our journey toward inclusivity, and it's all thanks to the relentless efforts of the MTA. I want to extend a special acknowledgment to Quemuel Arroyo, MTA's Chief Accessibility Officer, whose dedication and leadership have been pivotal in driving these changes. This achievement isn't just about accessibility; it's a celebration of community advocacy and persistence. Every step we take towards full accessibility is a step towards a more inclusive New York. Let's keep moving forward, together!



Get Sheds Down! Removal of NYC's Longest Standing Shed after 21 years

I am pleased to announce that historic landmark, 409 Edgecombe Ave, has been restored to its original glory! The Get Sheds Down Plan was launched by Mayor Adams earlier this year has already eliminated 500 shed across the city, freeing up the cities most utilized asset, our sidewalks. Let this moment signify not just the liberation of 11 miles of sidewalk space, but a renewed dedication to transforming our cityscape and ensuring a safer, more vibrant New York for all.



For more information including, resource guides, upcoming events, news articles and more, visit my linktree!

SAVE THE DATES!

Saturday, January 20th, 2024 at 10 AM–Coffee Chat at Common Good Harlem

Wednesday, January 31st, 2024 at 6 PM–Listening Tour at Esplanade Gardens North Community Room

2023 Round Robin and Esplanade Gardens Holiday Celebration

I would like to extend my sincerest gratitude to everyone who helped these events come to life. There is nothing that embodies the holiday season more than the opportunity to break bread as a community, re-kindle old connections or creating new ones. I look forward to continued collaboration with my fellow elected officials as we continue to strengthen and grow our community.



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