

## Dear Neighbor(s),

The end of session has come and I wanted to update you with some information about certain resources I was able to secure for the Northeast Bronx during this legislative session.

Our state has begun to recover from the financial difficulties our nation has faced over the past several years. We were able to pass an on-time budget along with several key policies that will help to provide our state with stability over the next several years.

In addition to acquiring funding for local initiatives, the legislature was able to restore a level of fairness to our state's income tax by reforming the way our tax code scales with income. I am aware that there is still much work to be done. I pledge to you that I will continue to do all that I can to bring the necessary resources to continue the improvement of our community.

As always, if there is any way that I can be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me. My office is here to serve you.

With Love and Hope,

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Carl E. Heastie Member of Assembly

Assemblyman Heastie Announces the Return of The Doe Fund's Clean Streets Project on White Plains Road New round of funding secured by Assemblyman Heastie will bring back popular program

Assemblyman Heastie has successfully secured funding for The Doe Fund's "Ready Willing & Able" program. Since 2003, The Doe Fund has had a work crew along White Plains Road from Gun Hill Road to 233<sup>rd</sup> Street, Monday through Friday from 7:30 am to 3:30 pm, that collects trash and keeps the sidewalks and streets clean. This service was canceled last year, as the legislature did

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Assemblyman Carl E. Heastie meets with the Council Generals from the Caribbean Nations in honor of Caribbean-American Heritage Month.



Assemblyman Carl E. Heastie joins members of the Gunther Avenue Block Association as they gather to celebrate at their Annual Community Block Party.

Assemblyman Heastie visits the Parkside Houses to tour \$125,000 worth of renovations and new equipment that was added to the facility as a result of funding he was able to secure through the budget.



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not have adequate funding to support this worthy program. This year, Assemblyman Heastie was able to secure the necessary funding to start the program up again.

The busy commercial corridor of White Plains Road between Gun Hill Road and East 236<sup>th</sup> Street will once again be litter-free through the hard work of the people of The Doe Fund's "Ready, Willing and Able" initiative. The Doe Fund is a not-for-profit homeless service organization that provides permanent solutions to homelessness through paid work and a host of other social services. "White Plains Road is a wonderful place to live and shop, but like many neighborhoods in New York City, keeping a handle on the litter problem can often be a challenge," said Heastie. "With the 'Ready Willing & Able' crews working along White Plains Road we will once again have the clean streets that the community deserves."

Assemblyman Carl E. Heastie secured \$50,000 in funding for The Doe Fund, Inc. during the 2012 Legislative Session in order to continue this highly successful street cleaning and community beautification project in the Northeast Bronx.



Assemblyman Carl E. Heastie meets with Bronx Nurses while they visit the legislature in Albany.



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