



July 20, 2022

Greetings --

I hope you're having a good summer and are managing to beat the heat. With temperatures in the 90s this week, please remember to stay hydrated, refrain from exerting yourself too strenuously, and keep an eye on your vulnerable neighbors. The NYC Parks Department announced yesterday that Olympic- and intermediate-sized outdoor pools will stay open an extra hour on today and tomorrow to help us stay cool. Those pools will be open between 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. [Find a pool here.](#)

If you're looking to find a place to stay cool without taking a dip, [find a cooling center here.](#)

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Hearing on the Build Public Renewables Act on 7/28

As many of you know, I am the prime sponsor of the Build Public Renewables Act ([A.1466-D](#)). This legislation would allow the New York Power Authority to take the lead in building, operating, and owning renewable energy projects in New York State and require all state-owned buildings to be powered by renewables by 2030 and municipally owned buildings by 2035. The Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA) passed in 2019 established the framework to move away from reliance on fossil fuels setting a goal of producing 70% of our energy through renewables by 2030, but reliance on the private sector will not get us where we need to be. The BPR Act will put the force of State government more fully behind the fight against climate change and will be a major economic boost to our State's economy creating thousands of union jobs. It has the potential to be a model for the rest of the nation.

On July 28th at 10am the Assembly is holding a joint hearing of the Corporations, Energy, and Environmental Conservation Committees on "The Role of State Authorities in Renewable Energy Development." The Build Public Renewables Act will be the primary subject of this hearing. The hearing will take place virtually and you can watch the proceedings live [here.](#)

[If you wish to testify you can sign up and submit testimony using the form here.](#)

Climate change requires urgent action, so while I am all in favor of my bill getting a hearing, I also fully support the demand of my allies in the Public Power NY Coalition that Governor Hochul call a special session this August to pass BPR Act.

The City's Budget Cuts

I have been receiving many calls and emails from constituents concerned about cuts in City funding to our local public schools in the budget recently agreed on by the Mayor and the City Council. These cuts are unacceptable and will cause school Principals to eliminate positions even though the state and federal government have funded our public schools at record levels.

In fact, the New York State budget passed in April included an historic high of \$31.2 billion in total school aid, a 7 % increase from last year. This included \$21.3 billion in "Foundation Aid", an increase of \$1.5 billion from last year. Foundation Aid are those funds distributed to school districts throughout the state based on a per-pupil and needs-based formula. Of the \$31.2 billion

total, \$12.3 billion was dedicated for New York City, a \$475 million increase from the prior year. What's more, the City has billions in unspent federal stimulus funds some of which could be dedicated to the schools. The Mayor has tried to justify the cuts in City funding based on enrollment decline, but the Mayor's funding formula does not take into consideration the immense difficulties our schools and students are facing as a result of the pandemic. The Mayor has been called on by 41 Council Members to use federal funds to close these disastrous cuts. He should do so immediately. I will continue to advocate at all levels of government to see that our schools are appropriately funded, but it is incumbent on the Mayor and the City Council to get their "house" in order by holding schools harmless this year and then going forward working to revise the City formula used to distribute funding.

No-Cost Mammograms 8/12 – Reservations Required

I am hosting the American-Italian Cancer Foundation's Mammogram Bus at my district office on Friday, August 12th. Reservations are required by calling 1-877-628-9090. See full details on the flyer below:



EARLY DETECTION OF BREAST CANCER SAVES LIVES!



The *Mammogram Bus* will be here Friday, August 12th!

Schedule a **No-cost Mammogram** and **Clinical Breast Exam**

Eligibility:

- Woman age 40 - 79
- Currently living in New York City
- No Mammogram in the past 12 months

Our services are at no-cost.

No co-pays required and deductibles are waived. Uninsured patients also welcomed.

Hosted by:

Assemblymember Robert Carroll & T.E.A.L.

416 7th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11215



Friday, August 12, 2022

9:00am – 4:30pm

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718-788-7221 or 1-877-628-9090

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If you have questions or concerns about any community or legislative matter please email carrollr@nyassembly.gov or call (718) 788-7221.

Please stay safe and cool.

-Bobby

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