

STAY HOME. WEAR A MASK. STOP THE SPREAD. SAVE LIVES.

### HELP STOP THE SPREAD



### WASH YOUR HANDS

Wash your hands with soap as frequently as possible for at least 30 seconds.

### **USE HAND SANITIZER**

Carry a small bottle of hand sanitizer for those times you can't wash your hands with soap and water.





### **WEAR A MASK**

Wear a face covering whenever out in public.

### SOCIAL DISTANCE

Maintain at least 6 feet of distance between you and other people.



# Assemblyman Perry Issues Pandemic Challenge

Unfortunately, after many months of sustained progress, New York City is again facing a surge in COVID-19 cases. Assemblyman Nick Perry understands we are all dealing with COVID-19 fatigue, but urges all constituents to take the precautions necessary to protect yourself, family, and neighbors from this still very deadly pandemic.

During this fight to survive the coronavirus and live to celebrate its eradication, Assemblyman Perry asks you to join in him adopting the creed, "we are all each other's keepers." We must always believe and accept, that each person should look out for him/herself by wearing a mask, and socially distancing. This will have the effect of protecting all the people we come in contact with, just simply by wearing your mask, to protect yourself.

This is one of those rare instances where you only have to care about yourself to save others. If you ever plan to be selfish, in a meaningful way, be selfish about always wearing a mask on your face.

### Perry Hosted Multiple Food Giveaways Across Community During Pandemic

Assemblyman Perry partnered with Fresh Direct and other New York food providers to distribute over 1,000 boxes of groceries at food giveaways across the district throughout the past months. Assemblyman Perry, recognizing that many families are facing hardships during these tough times providing food for their families and meeting other economic needs, arranged multiple events, where in partnership with East Flatbush Village, Inc. boxes of food, face masks, and hand sanitizer were distributed.



Assemblyman Perry helps senior citizen load groceries she received into cart at food distribution event at Flatbush Gardens.

## **COVID-19 RESOURCES**



### **TESTING SITES IN OUR AREA**

**Provided Free of Charge by NYC Health & Hospitals** 

**Canarsie Muni-Lot** 622 E. 99<sup>th</sup> St. Mon-Sun: 9am - 7pm Kings County Hospital 451 Clarkson Ave. Mon-Sat: 7am - 6pm Sun: 8am - 5pm (closed 12p-1p)

Sites and times are subject to change. Visit nyc.gov/covidtest or call (212)-COVID19 for more locations and most recent information, or call Assemblyman Perry at (718) 385-3336.

New York City State Department of Health 888-364-3065/222 • ny.gov/coronavirus

### **New York City Resources**

www.1.nyc.gov/site/coronavirus/index.page

### Grab and Go Meals for All New Yorkers

Text NYC Food or 877-877 or call 311

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) www.cdc.gov

NYS Mental Health Hotline

1-844-863-9414

New York State Domestic Violence Hotline 1-800-621-HOPE



# **LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

# Three Bills Sponsored by Assemblyman Perry Top Historic Criminal Justice Reform Package

Following the brutal killing of George Floyd, and an ongoing pattern of police brutality against minority communities across the nation, Assemblyman Perry and his legislative colleagues convened in Albany during the height of the pandemic to pass a landmark policing reform package which will help reduce inequality in policing and reimagine the state's criminal justice system.



Assemblyman Perry rallies at Grand Army Plaza demanding passage of Criminal Justice Reform Laws.

The reforms included ten bills in all, three bills of which Assemblyman Perry was the main sponsor. Perry's "Special Prosecutor Bill" establishes a special prosecutor's unit within the New York State Attorney General's office to investigate and potentially prosecute incidents when a person dies in custody or after an encounter with a police officer. The "Right to Monitor Act," authored by Perry, codifies into law the right of an individual to record law enforcement activity in New York State and to maintain custody of that recording and any device used to make the recording. Lastly, another new law, also authored by Perry, requires police officers to report verbally to their supervisor, whenever their weapon was discharged in a manner that an individual could have been struck by a bullet. That report has to come within six hours.

The package also repealed section 50-a of the Civil Rights Law, to help ensure that bad cops are held accountable for their actions. 50-a was long used as an escape route for police officers with poor disciplinary records to prevent public efforts to review and expose consistent bad behavior that should have resulted in dismissal from the NYPD. The new law is under challenge from the current administration, but is expected to stand.

### Assemblyman Perry Introduces Bill to Provide Additional Benefits to First Responder Health Care Heroes

Assemblyman Nick Perry has recently introduced a bill to provide New York State health care workers who served as first responders and who have faced the great risk of exposure to the deadly coronavirus pandemic, muchdeserved additional personnel benefits in recognition and gratitude for their lifesaving service.

The bill would provide "...first responders with five additional days of paid personal time off which shall carry forward into 2021 and 2022 and be available for use two years after the effective date of this section or one year after the end of the COVID-19 state of emergency."

"There is no doubt health care workers deserve our deepest thanks for their extraordinary efforts to help save lives during this dreadful pandemic," said Assemblyman Perry. "This bill would represent a small debt of gratitude and serve to publicly acknowledge their tireless, life-saving efforts."

# Assemblyman Perry Bill Will Guarantee that Presidential Powers Will Not Allow Stall Tactics to Stymie State Investigation of Criminal Behavior

Recently, a federal court granted outgoing President Donald Trump yet another delay in his on-going legal maneuverings and stall tactics to keep hidden his subpoenaed tax returns from the Manhattan District Attorney's Office. In an effort to ensure that the law is equally applied to all citizens, even the President of the United States, Assemblyman Nick Perry has introduced the "New York No Citizen is Above the Law Act" (A.10905).

"The New York No Citizen is Above the Law Act" Will Pause Statute of Limitations and Render Delays Ineffective

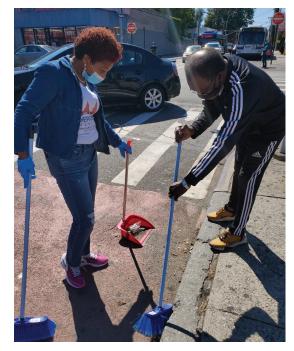
The bill is intended to toll (pause) the statute of limitations for all crimes alleged to be committed by the highest office holder in the land. If passed and signed into law, it would thwart all efforts by any sitting U.S. President to impede ongoing criminal investigations. If passed into law, the bill will take effect

immediately, and will toll the statute of limitations, and allow prosecutors in New York State currently pursuing the investigation of numerous allegations of criminal activity by the current President of the United States to bring charges at the conclusion of their investigation if warranted.

"Clearly the privileges of the Office of President were not intended to make any holder of the office above the law, and was certainly not intended to empower a president with the ability to thwart and sabotage an active, legitimate investigation as New York prosecutors have accused the current president of doing," said Assemblyman Nick Perry. "Enactment of the 'New York No Citizen is Above the Law Act' will ensure that this tenet holds true in New York, as it should in the entire United States."



# AROUND THE 58TH AD



**Take Pride in Our Community:** Assemblyman Perry joined Canarsie Community Advocate, Mercedes Narcisse, R.N. to participate in a community clean-up outside the Rockaway Parkway Subway Station.



**Brookdale Hospital Continues to Blossom:** Assemblyman Perry breaks the wall at Brookdale Hospital to start construction of new space to house a state-of-the-art MRI machine. Perry secured \$600,000 in state funding to purchase the high-tech diagnostic tool. (L-R-Senator Roxanne Persaud, Dr. Paulette Forbes, Assemblyman Perry, and Dr. Alex Rovt, Chair, One Brooklyn Health System.)



**Wear a Mask:** Assemblyman Perry distributes face masks outside the Pathmark on Albany Avenue in East Flatbush along with Monique Waterman of the NYC Health & Hospitals Test and Trace Corps.



**March For Justice:** Assemblyman Perry joins local clergy members in a neighborhood march for justice. NYC Comptroller Scott Stringer (far right) also joined the march down Church Avenue.

### **SCAM ALERT:**

### Don't End Up on a Scammer's Hook as Their Big Catch

While modern technology has given life to many different types of scams, the current pandemic and rough economic times has encouraged even more criminal-minded individuals to attempt to make ends meet by conducting online or telephone scams. Assemblyman Nick Perry urges you to stay vigilant and alert, and always remember, if it sounds too good to be true, it usually is.

There are some surefire tips which can stop you from falling victim to a scam:

- NEVER give out personal information, especially social security numbers, credit card, and bank account numbers to any caller who makes an unsolicited telephone call, even if they claim to be from the IRS, or some other government agency.
- DON'T be intimidated. Often scammers will threaten arrest or deportation if you don't comply, just hang up on them. The longer you talk with a scammer, the greater the chance you will become a victim.
- ONLY open emails, links, and attachments from trustworthy sources. If you aren't certain, don't click.
- Choose your passwords carefully. Choose passwords that would be difficult for others to guess and
  update them regularly. A strong password should include a mix of upper- and lower-case letters,
  numbers, and symbols. Don't use the same password for every account/profile, and don't share your
  passwords with anyone.

If you believe you may have fallen victim to a scam, act immediately. If you have provided account numbers, PIN numbers, or passwords to an unidentified source, notify the companies that you have accounts with immediately and report the fraud to the New York State Attorney General's consumer hotline, (800) 771-7755. You may also call Assemblyman Perry's office for further assistance.





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### HOLIDAY GREETINGS AND REPORT TO THE PEOPLE

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Dear Constituent,

I write to you under circumstances, which I don't believe anyone would have ever imagined, as we prepare for a holiday season like none other in our lifetimes. This usually memorable, and for our younger generations, magical time of the year has been greatly disrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic which we have all endured and suffered through since Springtime. I offer my sympathies and prayers to all those who have lost loved ones due to this horrific virus, and join you in hopes that our city, state, and nation can quickly and fully recover from the devastation this pandemic has brought.

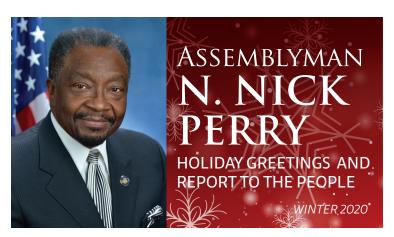
While I have no doubt that it has been very difficult, I also know that in most cultures and religions, this is usually a season of mirth and joy. Please join me in the hopefulness that things are going to get better, and in the immortal lyrics of Bob Marley's "Three Little Birds" singing at his doorstep, "every little thing gonna be all right." I urge you all to embrace the warmth and light from the spirit of this season of charity and goodwill, and the message of hope and joy to the world that it brings annually. There will always be some who cannot join in the cheer without help from others who have been blessed, and charity should still be the essence of our holiday spirit. So please let us spread the true message of the season by helping up someone who is down and in need of a lift.

I want you to know that I remain deeply humbled and honored by you allowing me the privilege of serving as your member from the 58th Assembly District for the fifteenth time. I thank you for your continued trust in me and look forward to continuing to work for you during the next legislative term. Unfortunately, I will not be taking the oath of office in my usual inaugural gala, thank you, and community swear-in ceremony as has been my custom since you elected me. Instead, a virtual ceremony will be conducted sometime in January, so please stay alert for your invitation on social media, and through direct mail where possible.

In the spirit of the season, may you and all your loved ones enjoy good health, happiness, and prosperity, and be safe with God's richest blessing throughout the holidays and the New Year. My best wishes for a most enjoyable holiday season, and may God bless you and bless our great nation, state, and city as we continue to fight this deadly, invisible enemy.

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# Perry Leads Ongoing Community Effort to Improve Community Health Services While We Fight COVID-19 Pandemic



Assemblyman Perry discusses COVID-19 pandemic with Dr. Perry Frankel (L) of ACD, and Congressman Hakeem Jeffries.

### Brings Mobile COVID Testing and Diagnostic Services Directly to Your Block

As neighborhoods across the state come together to confront the serious health crisis caused by the on-going COVID-19 pandemic, the need for access to medical services and especially testing and early and accurate diagnosis of illnesses has never been greater. Responding to these needs, Assemblyman Perry in partnership with the Advanced Cardiovascular Diagnostics (ACD), and East Flatbush Village, Inc., organized visits by ACD's mobile hospital units to various sites across the 58th Assembly District.

ACD performed COVID-19 and COVID antibody testing and administered cardiac screenings to individuals who couldn't make it to their regular physician due to the pandemic. No residents were turned away, regardless of health insurance coverage. ACD's intervention proved to be potentially lifesaving, on at least two occasions, when the person seeking care had to be rushed from the mobile unit to a local hospital to receive treatment to prevent an impending and perhaps deadly cardiovascular episode.