

Rebecca Seawright



Dear Friends and Neighbors,

This week we celebrated the 100 year anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment outside our office with community member Dr. Shirley Zussman, a 106-year-old daughter of the Suffragette Movement. Shirley and I were joined by prominent neighborhood leaders to celebrate National Women's Equality Day and call for passage of the New York State Equal Rights Amendment, that I am the lead sponsor of in the Assembly.

Next week Town Hall Tuesday will be discussing healthcare and feature Eileen Toback, Executive Director of the New York Professional Nurses Union, Dr. Monika K. Shah, Attending Physician, Infectious Disease Service at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, and Dr. Brenna M. Farmer, Director of Patient Safety, Weill-Cornell Emergency Medicine. Tune in on Facebook Live on Tuesday, September 1 at 7pm to participate in the discussion.

Please take a few moments this weekend to fill out your Seawright Survey. We are hoping to get your feedback on how we can respond to the COVID19 crisis and other areas of interest.

Stay safe, wash your hands frequently, keep your social distance, and wear your face-covering! Please don't hesitate to reach our community office.

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Sincerely,

Rebecca

Seawright Statement on the Heinous Shooting of Jacob Blake



Three months after the terrible murders of George Floyd and Breonna Taylor, their names and their stories continue to resonate in the minds and hearts of millions across the nation.

Today, with profound sadness, we honor the life of Jacob Blake, a 29-year old Black man from Kenosha, Wisconsin. We honor the life of a dedicated father and son, shot seven times in the back by the Kenosha Police Department while his three sons, aged 3, 5, and 8, watched in horror from the back seat.

Jacob Blake may never walk again. As we remember the heinous acts committed against Jacob Blake, George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, and countless others, we must honor their legacy by continuing to stand for racial justice, against police brutality, and for comprehensive police reform.

I, along with my colleagues, have passed critical legislation to bring positive sweeping changes to our law enforcement in New York State. We repealed 50A, passed the Eric Garner Anti-Choking Bill, brought transparency to police data, confirmed the right to record police misconduct, and passed legislation to prevent the biased misuse of emergency services. The legislature's actions represent a turning point for racial justice and mark the first steps in the fight towards a fully transparent, equitable, and reformed police force.

Here in New York City, I am calling for a dramatic expansion of the NYPD Police Cadet Program, through the recruitment of CUNY and SUNY students and incentives such as tuition support and loan forgiveness. There is a tremendous source of talent within our college student populations that can invigorate the ranks of law enforcement and provide an enlarged pipeline to women and recruits of color.

Today, we condemn the horrible violence perpetrated upon a father of three young children. We join with communities across the nation in calling for an independent investigation to assure that justice will be served, not denied.



Today, August 28th marks the Anniversary of the Great March on Washington led by civil rights activist Martin Luther King Jr. where he gave his famous "I Have a Dream" speech. It has been 57 years since, but the fight for racial justice continues. I am proud to have marched with local protestors on York Avenue to demand systematic changes. Here in New York I was proud to cosponsor legislation in the Assembly that took steps to protect New Yorkers, improved police and community relations, and brought more transparency and accountability to the criminal justice system.

"I say to you today, my friends, so even though we face the difficulties of today and tomorrow, I still have a dream. It is a dream deeply rooted in the American dream. I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: 'We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal.'

I have a dream that one day on the red hills of Georgia the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave owners will be able to sit down together at the table of brotherhood.

I have a dream that one day even the state of Mississippi, a state sweltering with the heat of injustice, sweltering with the heat of oppression, will be transformed into an oasis of freedom and justice.

I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character.

I have a dream today.

I have a dream that one day, down in Alabama, with its vicious racists, with its governor having his lips dripping with the words of interposition and nullification; one day right there in Alabama, little black boys and black girls will be able to join hands with little white boys and white girls as sisters and brothers.

I have a dream today."
-Martin Luther King Jr.

Town Hall Tuesday

ASSEMBLY MEMBER
REBECCA SEAWRIGHT



VIRTUAL TOWNHALL TUESDAYS

HEALTHCARE DISCUSSION SEPTEMBER 1 @ 7:00 PM



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NURSES UNION

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
EILEEN TOBACK



WEILL-CORNELL EMERGENCY MEDICINE

DIRECTOR OF PATIENT SAFETY
DR. BRENNAM. FARMER



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INFECTIOUS DISEASE SERVICE
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EMAIL SEAWRIGHT@NYASSEMBLY.GOV

REGISTER FOR THE TOWN HALL HERE!

**CLICK HERE TO WATCH ON FACEBOOK LIVE @ 7 PM
ON 9/1**

In Case You Missed It (ICYMI): This Week's Tuesday Town Hall Featured Community Non Profit Leaders Maggy Siegel Executive Director of Asphalt Green, Gregory Morris President and Executive Director of the Isaacs Center, Warren B. Scharf Executive Director of Lenox Hill Neighborhood House, Deborah Maher President of Randall's Island Park Alliance, and Bill Dionne Executive Director of the Carter Burden Network.



106-Year-Old “Daughter of the Suffragette Movement” Leads Rally for Passage of New York State Equal Rights Amendment on 100th Anniversary of Women’s Suffrage



On the 100th anniversary of a women's right to vote, Dr. Shirley Zussman, a 106-year-old daughter of the Suffragette Movement, recalled growing up in a family where political conversations were the norm.

Both parents were educated medical professionals but women were barred from voting. Shirley was six years old when her politically-minded mother cast her first ballot in 1920, the year that the states approved the 19th Amendment to the U.S Constitution.

A century later, Shirley is still fighting for equal rights for women and rallied with Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright on Wednesday for the passage of the New York State Equal Rights Amendment which would enshrine equal rights for women into the State Constitution.

Assembly Member Seawright has made passage of the Equal Rights Amendment for New York a centerpiece of her fight to secure equal rights for women.

"As we remember the brave women of a century ago who fought for equal representation and the fundamental franchise, we must recommit ourselves to the struggle to ensure opportunity and equality for all women at every level," said the Assembly Member.

Seawright is the first woman elected to the Assembly from the 76th District, including the Upper East Side, Yorkville, and Roosevelt Island.

She was the lead sponsor of legislation to require insurance companies to pay for the costs of 3D mammograms for women and men so that the detection of breast cancer is not an issue of patient affordability. Her bill passed both legislative houses and was signed into law by the Governor. The law has been seen as a national model to be emulated across the country.

She sponsored and has passed legislation to require the Department of State, in collaboration with the Department of Taxation and Finance, to conduct a study on the number of women serving on each board of directors of domestic and foreign corporations authorized to do business in New York State.

Assembly Member Seawright also passed legislation to require the creation of a public database showing female representation in public policy-making positions. She cosponsored the Reproductive Health Act, which enshrined Roe v. Wade into New York State law.

She is a strong and persistent advocate for the expansion of Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Programs, which ensures equal access to state contracts. And she has cosponsored numerous bills resulting in new protections on sexual harassment and assault.

One hundred years ago, on August 26, 1920, the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution was certified as the law of the land ten days after Tennessee became the final state to ratify. That day is now celebrated each year as Women's Equality Day.

That victory traces its origins to the first known appeal for the right to vote in July 1848 at the historic Women's Rights Convention held in upstate Seneca Falls.

On the national level, 37 states have ratified the federal ERA since Congress passed the Amendment in 1972. Constitutional scholars have pointed out that Article V of the Constitution does not require a deadline for ratification.

As of 1982, 35 states had ratified the Amendment – just three states short of the number needed to put the ERA into the Constitution. In 2017, Nevada became the 36th state. In 2018, Illinois became the 37th state to ratify the ERA, leaving one more state needed for ratification.

Assembly Member Seawright praised the efforts of elected leaders Representative Carolyn Maloney and Senator Liz Krueger and their collaborative work at the state and federal levels of government to advance women's causes.

"Our fight for the right of women is a fight for equity, for opportunity, for human rights for all!" said Assembly Member Seawright



Story Featured in...

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As Featured In...



Seawright to City:
Reopen Indoor Pools

“As New York State and City continue in the slow-going process of reopening its economies, Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright is pushing for the mayor to create a plan to open indoor pools, including the ailing Asphalt Green in her district.

“The state has approved general plans to open indoor swimming pools. But here in the city, we have no local guidance, and pools remain closed,” she said. “Last week, I called upon the City to implement an action plan. It’s long overdue.””

Fill Out the Seawright Survey!

Please take a moment to fill out the Seawright Survey. Together, we can make the Upper East Side, Yorkville and Roosevelt Island rise and restore from COVID19. Please let me know which issues most concern you.



The Seawright Survey

Together, we can make the Upper East Side, Yorkville,
and Roosevelt Island rise and restore from the COVID-19 virus.

Please fill out and return the form below to let me know which issues most concern you.

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____

<input type="checkbox"/> Food insecurity	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:
<input type="checkbox"/> COVID testing	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> COVID related stress	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Jobs and Unemployment	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Social Justice	
<input type="checkbox"/> Housing Costs	
<input type="checkbox"/> Crime and Public Safety	<input type="checkbox"/> Additional issues, questions or concerns
<input type="checkbox"/> Senior Citizens Concerns	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Health Care	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> K-12 Schools	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Homelessness	_____

MAIL TO:
Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright
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The survey has been featured in a recent "Seawright Reports to the People." This online version will be available throughout the summer. Feel free to complete the paper edition or the [online survey linked here](#).

This session brought unexpected uncertainties because of the COVID-19 pandemic. As a State, we are facing economic challenges and budgetary deficits, unprecedented unemployment claims, and other tough challenges resulting from our effort to prevent the spread of this fatal disease. In Albany, we responded to the COVID-19 virus with aggressive emergency legislation. The legislation prohibits the eviction of tenants in financial distress during a pandemic.

We continue to engage with neighbors and respond to thousands of requests for assistance. Our team is here to help connect you to resources. Keep in touch with our office by calling 212-288-4607 or emailing SeawrightR@NYAssembly.gov. As always, we are here to serve you!

Seawright Community Office Internship



New York State
Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright
Fall 2020 Internship



Our office is seeking students interested in learning about government and public service for an internship in our district office. Interns learn about various constituent issues and the ways we respond to the needs of our neighborhood. This position provides students with an exciting opportunity for personal and professional growth with exposure to a variety of services and resources. Please see the description and requirements below. I look forward to meeting you!

Best wishes,

Description

Selected students will learn the communication and problem solving skills necessary to become a public servant. Interns will be involved in a number of functions including, but not limited to, legislative research, constituent services, event planning, administrative tasks, and community organizing. All intern positions are unpaid.

Requirements

Opportunities available for high school and college level students. To apply, please send your resume and a cover letter of interest to seawright@nyassembly.gov. We accept interns on a rolling basis until all positions are filled.

Please don't hesitate to call our office with any questions.

1485 York Avenue, New York, NY 10075
(212) 288- 4607
Seawright@nyassembly.gov



Elizabeth Matta finished her internship with Assembly Member Seawright this week after working with the District Office for 3 months helping neighbors with Department of Labor issues and many other tasks.



Interns Neve Diaz-Carr and Leila Ferguson volunteered at the Community Office's Weekly Mask Giveaway. The two interns handed out masks to over 100 neighbors. If you missed this week's giveaway be sure to stop by on Thursday September 3rd for our next Mask Giveaway.

Upcoming Events

**ASSEMBLY MEMBER
REBECCA SEAWRIGHT
PROTECTIVE
FACE MASK
GIVEAWAY**



**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2020
12:00PM-2:00PM**

**COMMUNITY OFFICE
1485 YORK AVENUE
(78/79 STREET)**

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ASSEMBLY MEMBER

REBECCA A. SEAWRIGHT



HOUSING LEGAL CLINIC

TUES. SEPTEMBER 1

**EVERY OTHER TUESDAY
AT 4:00 PM ATTORNEYS FROM
THE LAW OFFICES OF GRIMBLE
& LOGUIDICE, LLC WILL
PROVIDE ADVICE ON HOUSING-
RELATED MATTERS AT NO-COST
FOR CONSTITUENTS OF THE
76TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**

Get help navigating the housing court process, responding to notices, dealing with threat of eviction, getting repairs from negligent landlords, and advocating for your rights as a tenant in New York City!

**DUE TO THE COVID-19 CRISIS, A
VOLUNTEER ATTORNEY WILL
HOST A ONE -ON-ONE PHONE
SESSION WITH ATTENDEES.**



**SCAN ME TO
RSVP!**

RSVP REQUIRED:

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The legal clinic is solely to provide guidance and advice from attorney's experienced in landlord-tenant law. The clinic does not guarantee a desired outcome and does not establish an attorney-client relationship. Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright does not represent or advise constituents in any legal matters.

SIGN UP FOR THE LEGAL CLINIC HERE

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Chair

Will Brightbill
District Manager



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The City of New York
Community Board 8 Manhattan
Street Life Committee

Tuesday, September 1, 2020 - 6:30 PM
This meeting will be conducted via Zoom

PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING: Please visit www.cb8m.com to sign up or call our office at 212-758-4340 by 5:30 PM on Tuesday, September 1st for phone information.

Agenda:

PLEASE NOTE: The Street Life Committee recommends a Resolution to the full Community Board, which votes on a Resolution to be sent to the appropriate governing agency. These Resolutions are advisory; the decision of the governing agency is binding. Applicants and members of the public who are interested in the issues addressed tonight are invited, but not required to attend the Full Board meeting on Wednesday, September 16, 2020 on Zoom. Please contact the Board Office for further details.

Applications will only be **approved based upon the applicants' agreement to the following stipulations:**

1. The applicant will abide by the bicycle guidelines and will ensure that any third-party delivery provider that it contracts with shall abide by the bicycle guidelines.
2. The applicant will not use electric bikes or contract with third party delivery providers who utilize electric bikes.
3. The applicant will keep the front of the establishment clean.
4. The applicant will be denied if they participate in bar-crawls.

1. New Applications to the New York State Liquor Authority for Liquor Licenses:

- a. Di Fara Group LLC, dba Di Fara, 1304 A Second Avenue (Between 68th and 69th Streets) - New Application for Wine, Beer, & Cider
- b. Botanicus Lexington Inc., dba Le Botaniste, 833 Lexington Avenue (Between 63rd and 64th Streets) - New Application for Liquor, Wine, Beer, & Cider
- c. Guadalupe Lucero, dba Tacos & Tequila, 1742 Second Avenue (Between 90th and 91st Streets) - New Application for Liquor, Wine, & Beer

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The City of New York
Community Board 8 Manhattan
Transportation Committee
Wednesday, September 2, 2020 - 6:30 PM
This meeting will be conducted via Zoom

PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING: Please visit www.cb8m.com to sign up or call our office at 212-758-4340 by 5:30 PM on Wednesday, September 2nd for phone information.

Agenda:

1. Revocable Consent Application Public Hearing: Proposed fenced-in area including steps, planters, together with snowmelt system in front of 106 East 78th Street. (Note: This is a revised application).
2. Revocable Consent Application Public Hearing: Proposed front yard expansion at 16 East 94th Street
3. A request to change parking regulations on East 72nd Street east of York Avenue
4. Parking Placards - discussion of continued prevalence of illegal/counterfeit placards and impacts on safety resulting from placard parking in no standing zones
5. DOT Updates
6. New Business
7. Old Business
 - a. East 91st Street between 2nd Avenue and 3rd Avenue (James Cagney Place) - update on street condition and repair of pavers
 - b. Other

Please visit www.cb8m.com, or scan the QR code below, for additional meeting details.



Anyone with an interest in this matter is encouraged to attend, or contact the Board Office with any questions, concerns, or comments.

Charles S. Warren and Craig M. Lader, Co-Chairs



**Rebecca
Seawright**
ASSEMBLY MEMBER



NO-COST Vaccinations

Flu, Shingles and Pneumonia shots available

Tuesday, September 15
9:30 AM- 3:30 PM

In Partnership with:

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Community Office, 1485 York Avenue
(78/79 Streets)

Appointments required:
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to reserve your flu shot.

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DOHMH FAQ: [Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\)](#)
Face Covering Distribution: [Face Coverings](#) [Face Coverings](#)
Face Covering Tips: [helpful videos](#)
DACA Renewal Assistance: Call ActionNYC at 1-800-354-0365
Ferry Schedules: [Staten Island Ferry](#) / [NYC Ferry](#)
H+H Visitor Policy: [Policy to Reduce the Spread of Coronavirus](#)
Mental Health Hotline: 1-888-NYC-WELL or text "WELL" to 65173. [NYC Well](#)
Mental Health Online: [Support New Yorkers Can Access While Staying Home](#)

OATH: [Hearing Online](#)
Online English Classes: [We Speak NYC](#), [Register Here](#) or for information: [click here](#)
Online Marriage Licenses: [nyc.gov/Cupid](#) or [cityclerk.nyc.gov](#)
Animal Welfare FAQ: [COVID-19 and Animals FAQ](#)
COVID-19 Pet Owner Hotline: 1-877-204-8821
Pet Planning: [Get Prepared - Pets & Service Animals](#)
Map of Essential Construction: [Essential Active Construction Sites Map / FAQ](#)
Report Price Gouging: [DCA - COVID-19 Complaint](#)
Resource Guide for Immigrants: [Resources for Immigrant Communities](#)
Virtual Friendly Visiting Program for Seniors: Call 212-AGING-NYC

For Families

Activity Book for Kids: [Animals of NYC - Physical Distancing Activity Book](#)
Remote Learning: [NYC DOE Info Hub](#)
Fun at Home for Kids: [nyc.gov/funathome](#) or text "Fun" to 97743
School and Childcare for Essential Workers: [Regional Enrichment Centers](#)

How to Help:

How to Help: [Help Now NYC](#)
Companies with Supplies on Hand to Donate or Sell: [NYC Suppliers Page](#)
Companies Ready to Begin Producing Supplies: [COVID-19 Emergency Supply Sourcing & Manufacturing](#)
Donate PPE: [NYC Personal Protective Equipment \(PPE\) Donation Portal](#)
Donate Plasma: [New York Blood Center](#)
Food and Non-medical Donations: [DonateNYC](#), or call 833-NYC-0040

For Constituents in Need:

Benefits Available for New Yorkers: [AccessNYC](#)
Services for Folks in Need: [Assistance for Individuals](#)
Domestic Violence: [NYCHope](#)
Family Justice Centers: [Family Justice Centers](#), 24-hour DV Hotline: 1-800-621-4673
Financial Empowerment Guidance: [DCA - Free Financial Counseling](#)
Food Finder: [Food Bank NYC](#)
Grab & Go Meals for All: Location: [Free Meal Sites](#), or text "NYCFOOD" or "COMIDA" to 877-877
Hotel Isolation Referral Program: [nyc.gov/covid19hotel](#)
Peer-Peer Wellness Check for Veterans: [Mission: VetCheck](#)
People with Disabilities: @NYCDisabilities, 311 or visit <http://nyc.gov/disability> or via video phone: 646-396-5830
SNAP: [SNAP Benefits](#)
Student Loan Debt Tips During COVID-19: [NYC Consumer Affairs](#)
Unemployment Benefits: [NYS Department of Labor + NYC FAQ](#)

Businesses & Nonprofits:

Stop the Spread: [Stop the Spread of Coronavirus Flyer](#)
Facebook Grants for Small Businesses: [facebook.com/grantsforbusiness](#)
Guidance for Employers & Employees: [Update about Workplace Laws](#)
Non-Profit Providers: [FAQ for Nonprofit Businesses](#)
SBS Webinars for Small Businesses: [Register here](#)
Small Businesses: [Assistance & Guidance for Businesses](#)

Workers:

Citibike Free Year Membership for First Responders: [Critical Workforce Membership](#)
Freelancers in NYC: [File Workplace Complaint](#)
Hotels for Healthcare Workers: [NYC & Company](#)
Labor Issues: Call 311, or AG's office: (212) 416-8700 or Labor.Bureau@ag.ny.gov
Paid Sick Leave: DOHMH [Frequently Asked Questions](#) / or call: 855-491-2667 or 311
State List of Essential Business/Services: [Governor Cuomo Guidance Under 'New York State on PAUSE'](#)
SBS: [Virtual Workforce One Center](#) or call 718-960-2458
TLC Driver Jobs: [NYC Food Delivery Driver Portal](#)
TLC [Driver Resource Center](#): legal services, financial counseling, and other referrals

Buildings & Residents:

NYCHA Residents: [NYCHA's journal + Hardship Rent Reductions + NYCHA COVID-19 FAQ + City Harvest Mobile Markets + Mayor de Blasio Announces New Plan to Combat COVID-19 at NYCHA](#)
Property Tax issues: [Department of Finance Benefits](#)
Tenants/Landlords: [COVID-19: FAQ for Residential and Commercial Buildings](#)

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