

Rebecca
Seawright
ASSEMBLY MEMBER



Dear Friends and Neighbors,

As the holy month of Ramadan ends, I wish an Eid Mubarak to all those celebrating Eid al-Fitr tonight.

With reproductive rights being threatened across the country we passed a bill this week that I am proud to have cosponsored and strongly supported to further solidify New York as a leader in reproductive health care. The measure requires every SUNY and CUNY campus to provide access to medication abortion prescription drugs to all enrolled students.

Six tons of paper were shredded on Saturday at our no-cost shred-a-thon. The community shredding helps to protect an individual from identity theft and all paper shredded is recycled.

April 22, 2023 marks Earth Day. This annual celebration is an opportunity to raise awareness and advocate for change around the issues most impacting our planet — and celebrate the beauty of Mother Earth. In this report we included information about the Carl Schurz Park and Roosevelt Island Earth Day events.

Join us for the 2023 Women of Distinction Awards Ceremony- Wednesday, May 10 from 6:00pm-8:00pm at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

Zuckerman Auditorium, 417 East 68 Street (York/First Ave.).

Please don't hesitate to reach out if we can be of assistance.

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Sincerely,



REBECCA A. SEAWRIGHT

6 Tons Of Paper Shredded & Recycled By Our Community At Seawright's No-Cost Shred-A-Thon



Volunteer John McClement and Flor de Maria Eilets, Special Assistant to Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright, invite our neighbors to upcoming events and the Women of Distinction Awards Ceremony!



Madison Thomas, Director of Community Relations, assisted constituents with signing up for our shred-a-thon notifications.

Roosevelt Island To Stay In 76th Assembly District Seawright Credits Roosevelt Island Resident Activists

The redistricting commission voted to advance the new and final Assembly maps to the state Legislature including Roosevelt Island in the 76th Assembly District. We submitted robust testimony in opposition to shifting representation of the island to a Queens District.

"Ultimately it was the unified and strong support of indelible Roosevelt Island resident activists who made the important first-hand arguments to help the commission put forth a favorable district map," said Seawright.

Seawright Statement On The Rent Guidelines Board Preliminary Vote On Rent Increases For Rent Stabilized Tenants

"I will be submitting testimony to the Rent Guidelines Board to call for a rent freeze for the over one million rent stabilized units. The preliminary range of possible increases — from 5.3 to 8.25 percent for one-year leases and 6.6 to 15.75 percent for two-year leases are shocking. The low range figures presented are out-of-step with what rent stabilized renters can afford while the cost of living is soaring due to inflation," said Seawright. *"We must protect New Yorkers and the affordability of essential housing costs."*

New Yorkers are suffering with the lifting of eviction moratoriums post-pandemic and housing court cases for non-payment are up 167.8%. The Consumer Price Index measuring inflation is up 6.1% in New York City.

Affirming Access To Reproductive Health Care On CUNY And SUNY Campuses

**I support access
to safe, affordable
reproductive
health care.**

With reproductive rights being threatened across the country, including most recently by an extremist federal judge in Texas, Seawright voted to pass a bill that would further solidify New York as a leader in reproductive health care. The measure requires every SUNY and CUNY campus to provide access to medication abortion prescription drugs to all enrolled students (A.1395-C). For decades, medication abortion has provided a safe, non-invasive way to end a pregnancy with near 100 percent rate of effectiveness.

Reproductive rights are essential to overall health and must be protected. While far-right judges and legislators continue to threaten reproductive health, Seawright will always fight to ensure New Yorkers have access to these important services.

Roosevelt Landings Update

Our office has been contacted by constituents living at Roosevelt Landings on Roosevelt Island who have been without hot water service since early March. The disruption in service is unacceptable. We have requested action by the Mayor's Office, HPD, and C+C Management.

Several code violations have been issued by the city Housing Preservation and Development (HPD).

C+C management reports that the interruptions in hot water service are linked to a malfunction within the cogeneration plant that services the property and they are working closely with engineers and specialists to resolve it as soon as possible.

As of 5:00pm on 4/21 - We are informed there are 2 water heaters repaired and HPD is onsite for final inspections. There are additional repairs to be made.

Search & Care Seeking Part-Time Chaperones

Search and Care, a nonprofit serving older adults on the UWS and UES, seeks reliable Manhattan-based vaccinated adults to safely accompany our clients to/from healthcare appointments. Bilingual a plus. Hourly compensation per escort. Please email with your relevant interest and/or experience to strashun@searchandcare.org.

Consider Our Office A Resource!



Fresh2You helps
SNAP recipients
stretch their
dollars at the
farmers market



Starting April 15, SNAP recipients are eligible for an expanded match to purchase more healthy food, including produce, dairy and meats at farmers markets. Recipients will receive \$2 for every \$2 spent to help money go farther and put more fresh food in families' kitchens. To find a farmers market near you, visit <https://agriculture.ny.gov/farmersmarkets>

Upcoming Events

Earth Day 2023









Roosevelt Island
Operating Corporation



Saturday, April 22, 11AM-3PM

Meditation Lawn & Blackwell Plaza (500 Main St.)

Join us to celebrate kindness to the Earth with music, giveaways and eco-friendly activities including:

-  Composting
-  Beautification planting
-  Book swap
-  Yoga/Meditation
-  Recycling art station
-  Educational booths

New 2023 Exhibit!

EVERY DAY IS EARTH DAY

SATURDAY, APRIL 22nd



CARL SCHURZ PARK

Self Guided Exhibit & Family Fun

1:00 PM

Opening Ceremony

86th Street & East End Ave.

1:15 PM to 3:30 PM

Explore and Learn with Experts

Throughout the Park

Dig deeper with our experts! Learn how you can protect the nature that surrounds us and reduce the impact of climate change.

- and -

Childrens Nature Craft Center

Gracie Oval (btw. 87th and 88th Streets)

Engage with your children in nature craft activities!

Rain or Shine!

Learn more at www.carlschurzparknyc.org/earthday





Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright
invites you to the

2023 WOMEN OF DISTINCTION AWARDS CEREMONY

Co-sponsored by:



Wednesday, May 10, 2023

6:00pm-8:00pm

MSK Zuckerman Auditorium
417 East 68 Street (York/First Ave.)

Together, let's celebrate **Women's History Month**
by recognizing the extraordinary women of the 76th District
who are making our community stronger.



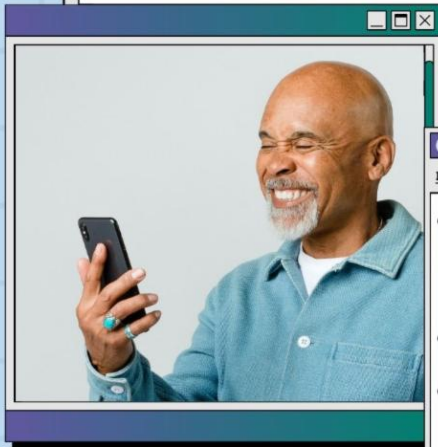
To RSVP, or more information about this free event or any other
community issue, contact Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright at
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EARLY BIRD TECH HELP!



File View Play Help

- **GET 1-ON-1 ASSISTANCE FROM VOLUNTEERS FROM PACE UNIVERSITY!**
- **BRING YOUR PHONE OR TABLET!**
- **GUARANTEED ASSISTANCE BY APPOINTMENT: 9AM-10AM!**
- **FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE: 10AM - 11AM**



**STANLEY ISAACS COMMUNITY NEIGHBORHOOD
CENTER: 415 E 93RD ST, NEW YORK, NY 10128**



FRIDAY, APRIL 28TH FROM 9AM - 11AM



**TO REGISTER, PLEASE CALL JACOB AT
(212) 289-5300 EXT. 218**

Construction Updates

MSK Partial Street Closure Advisory: 425 East 67th Street

Please be advised that there will be a crane lift in operation on Saturday, April 22, 2023 at the Memorial Sloan Kettering 417 E 68th Street entrance which requires a partial street closure and sidewalk restrictions as explained in detail below:

- The partial street closure is scheduled for 6:00 am to no later than 6:00 pm.
- Traffic will be required to travel past the crane on the North Side of 68th Street.
- 'No parking' signs are posted along the north side of 68th Street to keep the curb lane clear for traffic.
- Pedestrian traffic will be directed as needed.

Please contact us at communityaffairs@mskcc.org if you have any questions or concerns.

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