

<u>August 10, 2018</u>

Greetings -

Rising Star Recognition from New York League of Conservation Voters

The New York League of Conservation of Voters (NYLCV) released its **Annual environmental scorecard for state legislators** on Monday and I am proud to have been selected as its "rising star" in the State Assembly.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION



Rising Stars





Senators Luis Sepúlveda and Shelley Mayer, and Assemblymember Robert Carroll

Assemblymember Carroll earned a perfect score in each of his first two years in office. As a member of the Assembly Environmental Conservation Committee, he has been an outspoken advocate for the issues that matter most to NYLCV members, including reducing plastic bag waste and fully funding the MTA. Senator Sepúlveda won a special election for his seat in April after serving three terms in the Assembly. He earned a perfect score in his abbreviated first term in the Senate, following a 93 last year as a member of the Assembly. Senator Sepúlveda has been one of the most proactive members of the Legislature in listening to the voices of NYLCV members. Senator Shelley Mayer was also elected to the Senate after three terms in the Assembly. She earned a perfect score in her first term in the Senate and serves as a member of the Environmental Conservation Committee, where she has used her experience as a former legislative staffer to offer shrewd advocacy for NYLCV causes.

For the 2nd consecutive year I earned a "100" rating from the NYLCV on their <u>Scorecard</u>, which tracks the voting records of legislators during Albany's legislative session. In today's national political climate it is critical that New York lead the way on environmental issues. We must continue to think creatively to fight climate change by lowering emissions and cutting our usage of fossil fuels. The New York League of Conservation Voters do important work to that end and I am proud to be recognized by them in that shared purpose.

Two of the bills that I sponsored which passed through the legislature encourage investment in solar panels and energy storage equipment in New York City. Both await the Governor's signature. (A.10150, Carroll) would extend the existing property tax abatement that encourages the installation of solar panels in New York City and (A.10410, Carroll) would provide a tax abatement for electric energy storage equipment for certain properties in New York City.

Clean, renewable energy is critical to reducing our carbon footprint and safeguarding the environment for future generations of New Yorkers. This is common-sense green energy legislation and I hope that the Governor signs them as soon as possible.

If you would like to learn more about the League of Conservation Voters and their scorecard criteria, please click here.

Another Week - Another Speed Camera Press Conference

As you know, the 2018 legislative session concluded without the Senate bringing critical life-saving legislation to renew and expand speed cameras around NYC Schools to the floor. I am a co-sponsor on A7798-C, the bill that passed the Assembly that would extend and expand the speed camera program, but the State Senate failed to bring it to the floor for a vote. Due to their inaction, all speed cameras were turned off on July 25th. The State Senate is playing politics with our children's lives and it is unacceptable. This week I joined the Mayor's Office of People with Disabilities, Assemblymember Deborah Glick, Councilmember Carlos Menchaca and many advocates to call on the State Senate to come back to Albany and pass the bill immediately.



Support Immigrant Families Together

On Tuesday I had the opportunity to attend a fundraiser at the Monro Pub on 5th Avenue for an important organization called Immigrant Families together. They are doing incredible work to reunify families that were separated due to the Trump administration's zero tolerance policy.



Immigrant Families Together is a network of Americans who are raising money to support the legal effort for the families and those detained by this heinous policy. Please read more about them here and support their work if you can.

66th Precinct Neighborhood Coordination Officers Program

The 66th Precinct, which includes Kensington and Boro Park, recently began the Neighborhood Coordination Officers Program. The NCO program divides the precinct into sectors and assigns specific officers to each sector so that each neighborhood gets specific attention. This community policing program has already been implemented in the other three precincts in my district and I have been very impressed with its effectiveness.

If you live in the Kensington portion of my district and have a neighborhood concern that is police related, but not an emergency, you should now reach out directly to Police Officer Shawney Chow - Shawney.Chow@nypd.org and Police Officer Joel Ramirez - Joel.Ramirez3@nypd.org (pictured below). In addition, you should always reach out to my office using the information below.



See you around the neighborhood,

Bobby

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