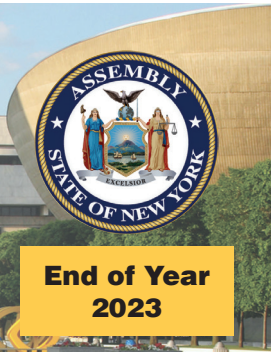




Assemblyman **Simcha Eichenstein**



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Dear Neighbor:

Once again, I am delighted to share some highlights of the progress that we are making throughout our district and at the State Capitol in Albany. The last weeks have been challenging for all of us, here in America and around the world. War may be waging thousands of miles away, but the uncertainty and unrest affects all of us. My staff and I have been working tirelessly answering questions, helping neighbors navigate their lives during these challenging times and assisting constituents with issues such as travel arrangements.

I thank my fellow lawmakers for their commitment to supporting the safety and security of all New Yorkers and for standing up against terrorism unequivocally. I join with all Americans who are praying for those fighting barbaric terrorism, and who wish for a true and everlasting peace here and around the world. I am confident that we will emerge from this crisis stronger than ever.

As always, my dedicated staff and I are available to assist you in any way we can. Feel free to reach out to our district office with any questions, concerns or comments. You can call us at: 718-853-9616 or send us an email at: EichensteinS@nyassembly.gov.

It is an honor and privilege to be your representative at the New York State Assembly.

Assemblyman Simcha Eichenstein, 48th District

ASSEMBLYMAN SIMCHA EICHENSTEIN THROWS FIRST PITCH AT THE NYPD-HATZOLAH BASEBALL GAME

Team Hatzolah



Team NYPD



The annual NYPD vs Hatzolah baseball game is always entertaining, and this year the game was especially thrilling for Assemblyman Simcha Eichenstein who was honored to throw out the first pitch of the game. The ballgame provides wholesome entertainment and also fosters goodwill and positive relationships between the Hatzolah organization and local law enforcement. "Throwing out the first pitch is a ceremonial tradition and I was excited to be chosen for this unique honor at this year's NYPD-Hatzolah game," said Assemblyman Eichenstein. "Members of Hatzolah and the NYPD are our heroes so this event was both humbling and inspiring."

ASSEMBLYMAN SIMCHA EICHENSTEIN PRESENTS PROCLAMATION TO HERO BUS DRIVER



On a dark August night, when an elderly Borough Park resident went missing for hours, MTA Bus Operator Jason Barton spotted the lost woman walking aimlessly on a Brooklyn street. He immediately took action and brought her to safety.

In honor of his heroic deed, Assemblyman Simcha Eichenstein brought together the woman's son and members of Flatbush Shomrim to personally express appreciation to Mr. Barton. Assemblyman Eichenstein also presented him with an official NYS Assembly proclamation citing his exemplary compassion for the welfare of a fellow New Yorker.

COMMUNITY RESIDENTS TAKE ADVANTAGE OF FREE FLU SHOTS AT ASSEMBLYMAN SIMCHA EICHENSTEIN'S OFFICE

With the winter season fast approaching, free flu shots were offered to the general public at the district office of Assemblyman Eichenstein in response to several recent cases of the flu that developed into serious complications. State Senator Simcha Felder, Assemblyman Simcha Eichenstein and Councilman Kalman Yeger joined together to host this event, in partnership with Maimonides Health.

Maimonides Medical Center Executive Vice President Douglas Jablon and Assemblyman Simcha Eichenstein look on as flu shots are being administered.

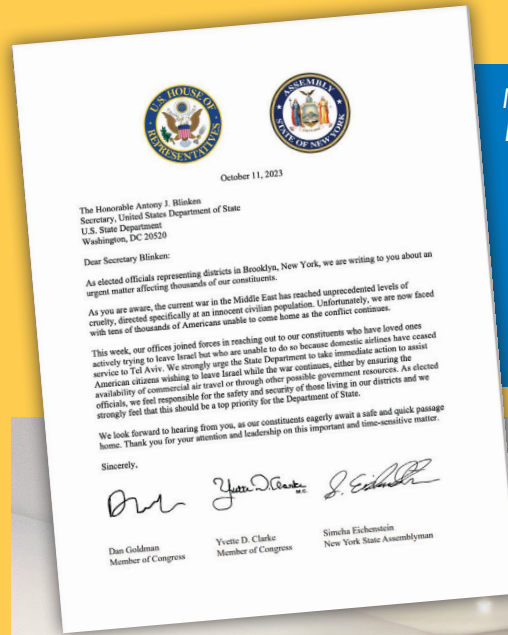


ASSEMBLYMAN SIMCHA EICHENSTEIN JOINS FORCES WITH CONGRESS MEMBERS DAN GOLDMAN AND YVETTE CLARKE TO ASSIST NEW YORKERS ATTEMPTING TO RETURN HOME FROM A WAR ZONE

When Hamas terrorists invaded Israel on October 7th, the resulting carnage led to a full-fledged war. At the time, thousands of New Yorkers who were spending the holidays in Israel found themselves in a war zone with limited options to return, as hundreds of flights were suddenly canceled. Amidst the chaos and confusion, many anxious travelers and family members reached out to their elected officials begging for assistance.

Assemblyman Eichenstein, Congressman Goldman and Congresswoman Clarke immediately joined forces and jointly opened a crisis center at Assemblyman Eichenstein's district office. Hundreds of anxious New Yorkers were helped by staff who took their information and tried to arrange alternate routes for their family members to return to the United States. They were also in direct contact with U.S. State Department senior officials, who ultimately worked out additional arrangements for Americans to be brought back home.

"Ever since the October 7th horrific and unprovoked terrorist attack began, our office has been overwhelmed with calls from constituents who wanted to come back to the United States," said Assemblyman Eichenstein. "By working together with Representatives Goldman and Clarke, we were able to pressure the State Department to play an active role in evacuating American citizens from a war zone."



In a letter to U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken: "We strongly urge the State Department to take immediate action to assist American citizens wishing to leave Israel while the war continues, either by ensuring the availability of commercial air travel or through other possible government resources."



Congressman Goldman and Assemblyman Eichenstein relaying to journalists the logistics of evacuating Americans in the region, following an in-depth conversation with the U.S. Department of State.

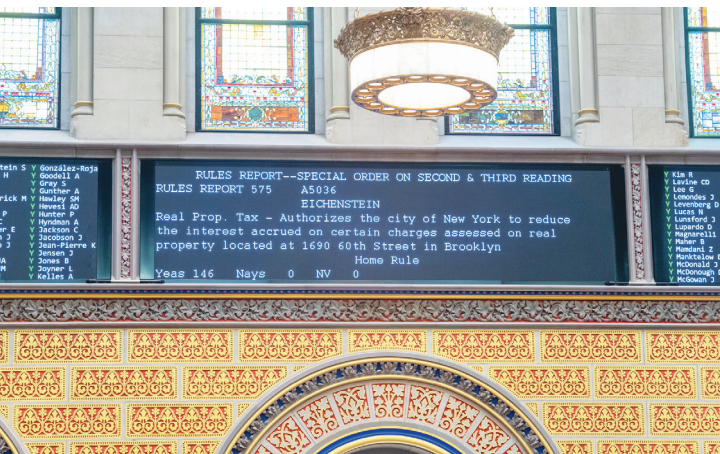
SENATOR FELDER AND ASSEMBLYMAN EICHENSTEIN PASS LEGISLATION ADDRESSING UNFAIR INTEREST CHARGES ON LOCAL SCHOOL

Councilman Yeger Ensures Passage of a Home-Rule Message at the NYC Council

When a local Yeshiva was billed for a government service over 25 years ago, payment was made but was held in escrow erroneously. As a result, interest kept accumulating at an alarming rate, despite the fact that payment had been set aside.

Senator Felder and Assemblyman Eichenstein sponsored a bill that would rectify the error and bureaucratic process, by reducing the accrued interest that New York City added to the charges over the last 27 years. In order for their proposed legislation to advance to the chambers for a vote, Councilman Yeger ensured the passage of a home-rule message at the NYC Council.

"Sometimes a bureaucratic snafu can become a nightmare for those involved," said Assemblyman Eichenstein. "This bill was designed to right this wrong and rectify the unjustly accumulated interest charges, restoring the balance to the original amount."

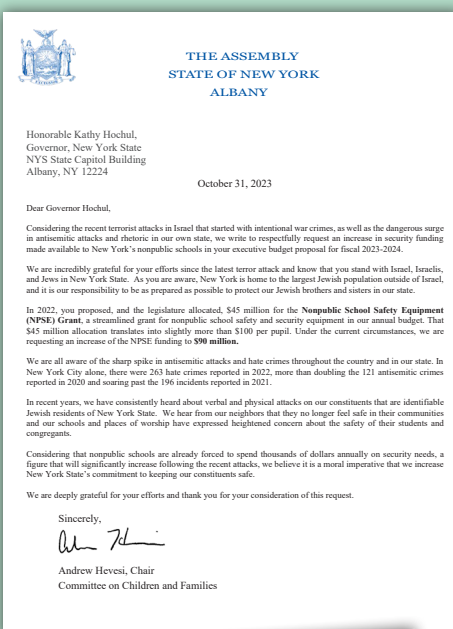


Voting on Assemblyman Eichenstein's legislation on the Assembly floor.

ASSEMBLYMAN SIMCHA EICHENSTEIN JOINS OVER SIXTY ASSEMBLY MEMBERS IN URGING INCREASE OF SECURITY FUNDING

In a strongly worded letter to Governor Kathy Hochul, Assemblyman Eichenstein joined over sixty members of the State Assembly in demanding that funding for non-public school security be increased due to the alarming spike in antisemitic incidents, primarily aimed at the visibly Jewish community. "We hear from our neighbors that they no longer feel safe in their communities," the Assembly members wrote. "We believe it is a moral imperative that we increase New York State's commitment to keeping our constituents safe."

In 2022, \$45 million was allocated to the Nonpublic School Safety Equipment Grant Program. The Assembly members are calling on the governor to double the funding to \$90 million, due to current circumstances.



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240 HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS UNITE TO DEMAND THE RELEASE OF HOSTAGES

In a powerful display of solidarity with the Israeli hostages in Gaza, 240 Holocaust survivors gathered at the Museum of Jewish Heritage, each one holding a poster of a kidnapped hostage and calling for the immediate release of all hostages.

Assemblyman Eichenstein, along with other elected officials and community leaders, joined the survivors at this meaningful and emotional event. "Our Holocaust survivors are our greatest treasure," said Assemblyman Eichenstein. "They represent courage, resilience, and faith. It was an honor to join them at this event as they stood in support of the hostages and their families. They are a symbol of strength and fortitude during times of challenge and confusion."



Assemblyman Eichenstein addresses the crowd of Holocaust survivors in solidarity with Israeli hostages.



Assemblyman Eichenstein joins Holocaust survivors as they display photos of kidnapped Israelis.



ASSEMBLYMAN SIMCHA EICHENSTEIN HOSTS HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS FOR LUNCH WHEN THEIR HEAT MALFUNCTIONS

It may be chilly outside, but here at our district office the optimism and enthusiasm of our heroic survivors warmed our hearts. "It is a pleasure interacting with each and every one of you," said Assemblyman Eichenstein. "Know that our office is always here to serve you."

Congresswoman YVETTE D. CLARKE & Assemblyman SIMCHA EICHENSTEIN

Congresswoman Clarke will be sending a representative to our district office to assist constituents with issues such as:

- ★ IRS ★
- ★ Passports ★
- ★ Green Cards ★
- ★ USCIS ★

And other federal matters

Every Other Wednesday
★ 10:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. ★

★ District Office ★
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★ Contact Information ★
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Assemblyman SIMCHA EICHENSTEIN brings the **NYS Department of Motor Vehicles** to our district office

Representatives of the NYS Department of Motor Vehicles will be at our district office to assist constituents with issues such as:

- Non-driver ID cards
- Renewing a license
- Change of address
- Replace a title certificate
- Renew vehicle registration

DMV will be equipped to take photos on site

Thursday December 21st, 2023
10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Assemblyman Eichenstein's District Office
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APPOINTMENTS NECESSARY
DMV representatives will **ONLY** be able to service constituents who have an appointment.

To make an appointment, contact the Office of Assemblyman Eichenstein
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Assemblyman Eichenstein joins Boro Park Shomrim at their bike and scooter registration event at the 18th Avenue Park which also included free rides and giveaways.



Senator Felder, Assemblyman Eichenstein and Councilman Yeager volunteer at Chasdei Lev Rosh Hashanah Distribution, which helps to provide educators with their holiday needs.



Assemblyman Eichenstein participates in the HE3AT ribbon cutting ceremony, launching a program that offers authentic hands-on learning experiences to students interested in pursuing a career in medicine at Maimonides Medical Center.



Assemblyman Eichenstein joins Brooklyn District Attorney Eric Gonzalez on a tour of Boro Park as the community prepares for the Jewish holiday.



US Military Service Academies Cadets and Midshipmen together with Assemblyman Eichenstein visit the homes of Holocaust survivors. These future leaders learn about the atrocities of the past and gain a deeper understanding of their role in fighting to protect our freedoms.



Assemblyman Eichenstein with community leaders supporting the JCC of Sullivan County, as they engage with local elected officials during the summer months.



Assemblyman Eichenstein addressing the Holocaust Survivors Rosh Hashanah Luncheon and Concert, sponsored by Nachas Health Network.



Assemblyman Eichenstein participates in a roundtable discussion with federal and local law enforcement officials on combating the current rise in hate crimes. The event was hosted by Congressman Dan Goldman.

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ARE YOU FRUSTRATED WITH A BUREAUCRATIC AGENCY? OUR DISTRICT OFFICE IS HERE TO HELP YOU.
Here are some ways we recently helped constituents overcome the bureaucratic red tape:

Mrs. G has a child who suffers from a rare genetic disorder and was being treated at a hospital in Texas, an acclaimed and acknowledged leading facility in the field. Though out of their insurance network, it was one of the only hospitals that specializes in treating this metabolic disorder. While their insurance company, Fidelis, had approved the initial visits and treatment at this specialty facility, further follow up visits were denied, given local facilities are less costly. However, there was no denying that the Texas facility was what was best for the patient.

Mrs. G turned to Assemblyman Eichenstein's office in desperate need of assistance. Immediately we got involved and sought support and an official review of the case by the NYS Department of Financial Services. In less than 48 hours, the decision was reversed and the child was able to continue receiving his critical treatment at the best available facility in Texas!

A local school applied to the Federal National Food Program in early June hoping to receive approval to continue providing nutritious meals to its students. All necessary documentation was provided and the school was eagerly awaiting an approval.

As the school year had already started and after months of waiting for a response, the school reached out to the Office of Assemblyman Eichenstein for assistance. The Assemblyman's office engaged with the New York State Department of Education, stressing the importance of reviewing the application to ensure that nutritious food would be provided for the school children without further delay. Upon the department's review, approval was granted within 24 hours, enabling the school to continue providing meals to all its students!