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Sen. Squadron Celebrates Reopening of BK Bridge Park Pool; Calls For Pool to Remain Open

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Squadron, Community Continue Push for Pop-up Pool and Permanent Pool in Brooklyn Bridge Park

Momentum Continues After Successful Effort to Save Pool Last Summer

BROOKLYN – TODAY, State Senator Daniel Squadron released the following statement celebrating the reopening of the Brooklyn Bridge Park Pop-up Pool. Last summer, Squadron and the “Love Our Pool” coalition successfully pushed to save the pool for this season. The pool is at risk of closure again, as the City has not yet committed to extending the pool beyond this season.

“Today’s reopening gives New Yorkers another opportunity to dive-in and enjoy this beloved community amenity for another season. Last summer, over 1,000 community members came together in our call to save the pool -- a call ultimately backed by the City and Brooklyn Bridge Park Corporation. Now, as we face the potential final season of the pool again, it’s urgent the City commit to keep the pool in place as we continue the push for a permanent pool in the park.

“Active recreation in the park continues to be one of the park’s greatest assets, which is why I secured the pool in 2010. As the ‘Love Our Pool’ pool celebration today highlights, this pool has become an important part of the community and should remain part of the community as we move towards a long-term plan for a pool in the park.”

Squadron and the Love Our Pool secured the Pop-up Pool for another season last year. The coalition has collected over 1,300 petition signatures (online and in paper) in favor of preserving the pool. Squadron also released a report on pool usage last summer, finding broad support for the pool and that it serves a broad community across Brooklyn.