



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Joseph P. Addabbo Jr.

## **\*\*Statement\*\*** - Addabbo Condemns Migrants Living in Deplorable Illegal Conditions

[JOSEPH P. ADDABBO JR.](#) February 28, 2024

Senator Joseph P. Addabbo, Jr. said: "I am deeply disturbed by the reports of the illegal conversion site discovered in my district, where dozens of individuals were living in deplorable conditions. It is unacceptable for anyone to be subjected to such overcrowded, unsafe, and inhumane living conditions.

The exploitation of vulnerable migrants for cheap labor and housing is reprehensible and goes against our values as a society. Every individual deserves to be treated with dignity and respect, and it is the responsibility of building owners and authorities to ensure that proper living standards are maintained.

I commend the efforts of the NYC Department of Buildings and the FDNY for investigating this matter and taking action. We must hold accountable those responsible for this egregious violation of housing and labor laws. In addition, we need a greater and more robust assistance from the federal government.

I urge all New Yorkers to remain vigilant and report any suspicious or unsafe living conditions in their communities. We must work together to protect the rights and well-being of all individuals.

Our focus should be on providing support and assistance to those in need, rather than exploiting them for personal gain. Let us stand together against such exploitation and ensure that justice is served for those affected by this appalling situation."