

NEW YORK STATE SENATOR Malcolm Smith

Statement From Senate Democratic Leader Malcolm A. Smith On The Arrest Of 34 Members Of The "Bloods" Street Gang In Far Rockaway, Queens

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"Today, District Attorney Richard Brown and Police Commissioner Raymond Kelly announced the arrests of 34 individuals who are purportedly members of the Bloods street gang in Far Rockaway. Their arrest on gun and narcotics charges is an important development in making our streets safer for all law-abiding citizens."

"The hardworking people of this community and their families deserve to live in crime-free neighborhoods. This sends a message that gang violence will not be tolerated."

"District Attorney Brown, Police Commissioner Kelly and the investigating officers and prosecutors who worked this case over the past year are to be commended for their arrest and for making Far Rockaway a safer place to live."