



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Thomas K. Duane

## Statement of Senator Duane RE: St. Vincent's Catholic Medical Center

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"While today's decision by the Board of Directors of St. Vincent's Catholic Medical Center to close the hospital's inpatient units was deeply disappointing, I have not given up the fight. I will continue to work collaboratively with all stakeholders, including City, State and Federal officials, as well as the hospital board, management and labor, to guarantee that the health care needs of our neighborhoods are met."

"I will continue to fight for the preservation of a 24-hour emergency room, widely available and culturally sensitive community-based primary care, and the specialty services that have been at the core of St. Vincent's commitment to our Lower West Side neighborhoods and our city as a whole."

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