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Statement on Leiby Kletzky

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Senator Parker's Statement on the Murder of Lieby Kletzky

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(Brooklyn, NY) I am truly devastated by the tragedy that occurred this July 11, 2011. According to law enforcement officials, 8 year old Lieby Kletzky was abducted and murdered at the hands of Levi Aron.

On July 18, 2011 I attended Lieby's Shiva to pay my respects to his family. I again want to give my sincerest condolences to the Kletzky family and the Borough Park community. I know it is hard to lose any family member; but when it is under horrific circumstances such as this one, it is especially difficult.

I too, along with Senator Savino and Assemblyman Hikind represent the Borough Park community. It is one of the safest areas in my district. I will do all that I can to assist the family in their time of need.

In an effort to deter any future tragedies, I plan to support the Savino/Hikind legislation to provide economic incentives to our business owners to install surveillance cameras. I also believe it would be helpful to law enforcement if we had a uniform system to address missing persons such as the Lori Ann's law introduced by Senator Valesky and Assemblyman Reilly (S.659/A.3526). I call on the Governor and Senator Skelos to pass these bills at the next special legislative session.

Additionally, I call on the District Attorney to conduct a thorough investigation and prosecute this case to the full extent of the law.

Rest assured, I will do all that I can to help the family receive closure and to deter any reoccurrences of such a horrific crime.

About Senator Kevin Parker

Senator Kevin S. Parker represents a large Hasidic Jewish population in his district. He is intimately familiar with the needs of his religious and ethnically diverse community that consists of 311,000 constituents in Flatbush, East Flatbush, Midwood, Ditmas Park, Kensington and Borough Park. He is the Ranking Member of the Senate Energy and Telecommunications Committee, former Majority Whip and Chair of the Democratic Task Force on New Americans.

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