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Ruben Diaz

## Senator Reverend Diaz is Honored that Bronx Pride Is Coming to the Rev. Ruben Diaz Gardens

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New York State Senator Reverend Ruben Diaz (D-Bronx) has released the following statement to clear the record about what he actually said to New York Post reporter Candice Giove when she interviewed him last week about the Bronx Pride group that is moving into the Rev Ruben Diaz Gardens on November 14th:

“I was surprised to read today’s New York Post’s sensational story by Candice Giove because she completely disregarded what I specifically said to her about Bronx Pride moving in to the Rev Ruben Diaz Gardens building. Candice Giove instead used heresay in her article – by unnamed sources - that I was left ‘hot and bothered’ and that I am ‘furious’.

To contradict Ms. Giove’s reporting and to repeat what I told her during her interview of me last week, I would like everyone to know that I am honored that Bronx Pride is coming to the Rev Ruben Diaz Gardens. They honor me by recognizing my good work on behalf of the community. When everyone abandoned the Bronx, I worked hard to bring jobs, housing and programs that benefit our community. I am glad that Bronx Pride is taking advantage of these opportunities and I will continue to invite everyone to come to the Bronx because the

Bronx is open for business.”