Squadron Applauds Jenny Rivera's Confirmation to NY Court of Appeals

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ALBANY -- Today, State Senator Daniel Squadron released the following statement upon the Senate's confirmation of Professor Jenny Rivera to the New York Court of Appeals. Rivera grew up in Baruch Houses on the Lower East Side, in Squadron's district.

"I was honored to vote in support of Jenny Rivera's confirmation to the New York Court of Appeals this afternoon.

"Professor Rivera will not only make a highly qualified jurist -- she is an inspiration for New Yorkers on the Lower East Side and throughout New York.

"Growing up in Baruch Houses, she went on to lead a career that has been dedicated to achieving true equality, justice, and opportunity for all New Yorkers. From her years focusing on civil rights law and litigation, to her ongoing commitment to her community through her work on the Grand Street Settlement board — and her other accomplishments that are simply too numerous to list — Professor Rivera is an example for all of us.

"I hope that kids on the Lower East Side were watching today as we confirmed Professor Rivera. She proves that, while it's not easy, wherever you start out it is possible to rise to the state's highest court -- or to any place you dream.

"Congratulations, future Justice Rivera!"

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