



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Neil D. Breslin

Senator Breslin Celebrates April 22nd as Earth Day

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(Albany, NY) Senator Neil D. Breslin (D-Delmar) reminds all New Yorkers that April 22nd is Earth Day and encourages everyone to make a commitment to protecting the planet, ensuring clean air and fresh water for generations to come.

“Protecting the people of New York goes hand-in-hand with protecting the environment,” Senator Breslin explained. “By working together to ‘Go Green,’ we can protect our neighborhoods and communities, as well as create countless job and economic development opportunities in green technology to propel our economy through the 21st Century.”

In 1970, U.S. Senator Gaylord Nelson from Wisconsin declared April 22nd as Earth Day. A promoter of environmental issues, Nelson struggled for years to thrust the evidence of environmental degradation into the political mainstream. He organized a nationwide grassroots demonstration to allow people throughout the country to speak and express their concern for the land, rivers, lakes and air. This event brought the nation together and led to the creation of Earth Day.

“Nothing is more important than protecting the health of New Yorkers and the environment where they raise their families,” said Senator Breslin. “I hope to see a continuing effort from everyone to do their part this Earth Day, and truly every day, to create a cleaner, more sustainable New York.”

For more information on how to make a difference and live green, go to the Department of Environmental Conservation website at <http://www.earthdayny.org/>.

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