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WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

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You should know that the New York Hispanic Clergy Organization will be celebrating its 26th Annual Banquet this coming Saturday, April 12, 2014 starting at 12:00 PM at Maestro's Restaurant, located at 1703 Bronxdale Avenue in Bronx County.

Among the dignitaries who have confirmed their participation is His Eminence, Timothy Cardinal Dolan, the leader of millions of Catholics in New York City. You should know that Cardinal Dolan's visit to the Evangelical Hispanic Ministers' Banquet is another indication of the spirit of humility, unification, and brotherhood that exists among the religious leaders in New York City.

Among the other dignitaries that have confirmed their participation are: New York State Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli; Bronx Borough President Rubén Díaz, Jr.; Westchester County Executive Robert Astorino; Bronx Democratic County Chairperson Carl Heastie; Assemblywoman Carmen Arroyo; Assemblyman Marcos Crespo; Assemblyman Luis Sepúlveda; Assemblyman Mark Gjonaj; New York City Councilwoman Maria del Carmen Arroyo; New York City Councilman Fernando Cabrera; New York City Councilwoman Vanessa Gibson; and State Republican Party Chairman Edward Cox.

The New York Hispanic Clergy Organization was created in 1988 and since then it conducts a weekly meeting every Thursday, and has a membership of close to 150 Evangelical pastors and ministers in the City of New York.

You should also know that among the functions of the New York Hispanic Clergy Organization is to help different countries in Latin, Central and South America when there are natural disasters such as hurricanes, earthquakes and other storms.

Puerto Rico, Honduras, Ecuador, Chile and the Dominican Republic are some of the countries that the New York Hispanic Clergy Organization has assisted, sending help such as medical equipment, buses, trucks, fire-fighting equipment and financial assistance.

The 26th Annual New York Hispanic Clergy Organization Ministers' Banquet will be dedicated to six members of the clergy that have distinguished themselves for their commitment, devotion, help and dedication to the work of our Savior Jesus Christ's church. The honorees will be: Reverend Amaurys Mella, Pastor of Christ Being Known Evangelical Church, Reverend Danilo Lachapel, President of Feeding the Needy Ministry; Reverend Byron Castillo, Pastor and leader of El Calvario International Ministry; Reverend Rosa Cadiz, Pastor of Rehoboth Pentecostal Synagogue; Sister Carmen Virginia Sanabria, International Gospel Singer; and Mr. Hector Castillo, Community Leader.

With this banquet, where close to 1,000 people will gather, the New York Hispanic Clergy Organization closes another year of victories and struggles in the work of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

I am State Senator Rev. Rubén Díaz, and this is what you should know.