

NEW YORK STATE SENATOR Jesse Hamilton

Senator Jesse Hamilton, 43rd Assembly District Leader Shirley Patterson, housing advocates, and tenants of Reid Apartments rally in support of NYCHA tenants

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Rally brings focus on need to fund NYCHA repairs and properly maintain NYCHA buildings

Brooklyn, NY – Senator Hamilton and District Leader Patterson held a rally and press conference in support of NYC Housing Authority (NYCHA) tenants. Joined by housing advocate Tiara McLaughlin, Lead Organizer with the Pratt Area Community Council, and neighborhood residents, the rally highlighted the shocking living conditions residents in William Reid Apartments (East Flatbush) face. The rally also highlighted the need for the New York State budget to accommodate significant capital requirements of NYCHA. Governor Cuomo's budget currently only slates a \$25 million commitment to NYCHA's capital repair fund, falling far short of the \$120 million per year over the next ten years necessary to accommodate the needs of NYCHA tenants.

Conditions at the William Reid Apartments vividly illustrate the necessity of this investment as residents and families growing mold throughout their apartments, peeling paint, broken elevators, and extended periods without heat and hot water during the frigid winter months.

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