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## Dedicating John Jay College of Criminal Justice's New Vertical Campus

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On November 2, I had the privilege of speaking at the ribbon-cutting of John Jay College of Criminal Justice's magnificent new building on Eleventh Avenue between 58th and 59th Streets. The 620,000-square-foot, 13-story vertical campus houses 56 state-of-the-art classrooms, new cyber lounges and cutting edge science facilities as well as emergency management and high rise simulator labs, a moot court, conference and exhibit spaces and a black box theater. I applaud John Jay President Jeremy Travis and City University of New York Chancellor Matthew Goldstein for having had the vision to develop the cutting-edge

educational environment necessary for John Jay to reach its academic and professional potential. I was proud to support John Jay's efforts to secure New York State funding for this project and I am deeply moved by the college's commitment to educating for justice – social, economic, political, and criminal justice. Students representing all of New York's diversity come to John Jay because of its challenging educational opportunities, strong moral underpinnings and high social relevance. I wish John Jay and all its stakeholders the greatest success in the college's wonderful new home.