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## Calling for Urgent Action to Protect Against Storm Surge Damage

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For many years, I have been calling for mitigation measures such as storm surge barriers to protect our waterfront neighborhoods from rising sea levels and intensifying storm surges. As recently as September 29, I wrote to the Mayor's Office of Long Term Planning & Sustainability urging the City to more aggressively pursue such measures. After the immediate recovery from Hurricane Sandy, we will need to work together to craft long-term plans to prevent the kinds of damage to our City's vulnerable neighborhoods and infrastructure that we are facing today.