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Reining in SantaCon

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Today, I was joined by Senator Daniel Squadron, Assembly Members Deborah J. Glick and Brian Kavanaugh, City Council Members Rosie Mendez and Margaret S. Chin, along with other local elected officials, in calling on SantaCon organizers to follow three principles to rein in the annual scourge. During this massive pub crawl, thousands of participants dressed as Santa Claus overwhelm neighborhoods, violating numerous laws and regulations and creating major hazards to public safety along the way. The principles include making public and following defined routes; ensuring respectful participants; and implementing a comprehensive safety plan. Please see our letter below.