



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Toby Ann Stavisky

## Senator Stavisky and Councilmember Dromm Remember Typhoon Haiyan Victims at Storm's One-Month Anniversary Vigil

TOBY ANN STAVISKY December 9, 2013



Elmhurst, NY—Senator Toby Ann Stavisky (D-Central Queens) and Councilmember Daniel Dromm (D-Jackson Heights, Elmhurst) joined members from the National Alliance for Filipino Concerns (NAFCON) at St. James Episcopal Church in Elmhurst to observe the one-month anniversary of Typhoon Haiyan, which made landfall on November 8, 2013.

Typhoon Haiyan was a devastating tropical cyclone that affected large areas of Southeast Asia, particularly the Philippines. It is the deadliest Philippine typhoon to date, affecting more than 12 million people and claiming 5,924 victims to-date.

Senator Stavisky and Councilmember Dromm participated in a candlelight vigil to honor the storm's victims. NAFCON also gave attendees an update on fundraising and relief and recovery efforts.

“In light of such great tragedy, it is heartwarming to see people come together, even from halfway around the world, to dedicate their time and energy to helping those who have lost everything. I would like to congratulate NAFCON on their tremendous fundraising to support the relief work in the Philippines and would like to offer my continued support for the rebuilding effort,” said Senator Stavisky (D-Central Queens).

“My heart goes out to those individuals impacted by Typhoon Haiyan,” Council Member Daniel Dromm (D-Jackson Heights, Elmhurst) said. “In the face of disaster it is encouraging to see communities pull together to lend support. Groups such as Taskforce Haiyan, which gives 100 percent of donations to the cause, are an integral step towards recovery.”