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ADDABBO RALLIES 'ROUND THE CLOCKTOWER FLAG FOR VETERANS DAY

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Queens, NY, November 12, 2013 -- *On Friday, November 8, Senator Joe Addabbo (D-Howard Beach), Patrick Ruddin and Dr. Andrew Rubin of Medisys Health Network, veterans from VFW Post 2565 in Howard Beach, American Legion Post 1404 in Broad Channel, American Legion Post 118 in Woodhaven, Christine Maratino from Delta Flag & Sign Co. in Glendale, join NYS Assemblymember Mike Miller (D-Woodhaven) and Chief-of-Staff Rudy Giuliani for City Councilmember Eric Ulrich (R-Ozone Park), as well as Woodhaven leaders Maria Thomson and Ed Wendell, to watch the flag rise up the long-vacant flagpole at the Medisys Clocktower building in the Pathmark Shopping Center on Atlantic Avenue in Ozone Park. The large flag, raised in time for Veterans Day and supplied by Delta Flag & Sign Co., continues to wave at night, because the flag is illuminated on the clocktower.*

According to Senator Addabbo, who outlined the history of the 100-year-old Medisys building for event attendees -- the location is the site of the former Grosjean-Lalance Enamel Cookware Factory

(established 1863), which had employed 2,000 people who lived in its surrounding factory village homes. The plant also manufactured pressed tin and made mess kits for the U.S. Navy during the Spanish-American War and WWI, to put the towns of Woodhaven and Ozone Park on the map.