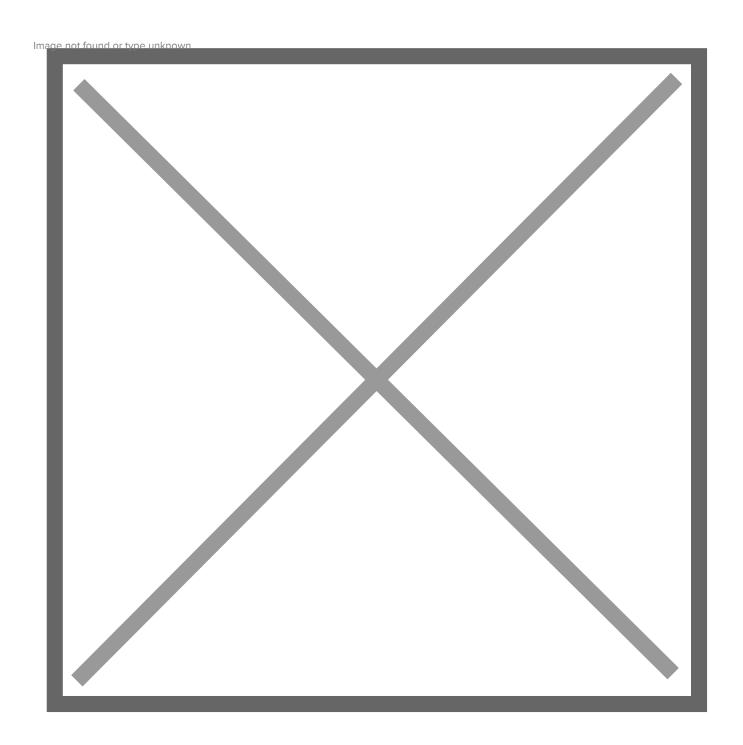


Senator Brad Hoylman Visits East Village Mosque in Show of Solidarity with New York City's Muslim Community

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NEW YORK – On Friday, State Senator Brad Hoylman (D-Manhattan) met with members of the Madina Masjid Mosque in his Senate district in the East Village to demonstrate solidarity with New York City's Muslim community. Senator Hoylman released the following statement:

"I'm at the Madina Masjid Mosque today in my Senate district in the East Village because it's important during this time that New Yorkers show their support for religious and ethnic diversity, which has helped make our city great, and in particular our Muslim community, which is being targeted by hatemongers for partisan political advantage. I'm outraged that Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump would suggest a religious test for immigration into our country. It's unconstitutional and runs directly counter to the founding principles of our nation."

"I'm grateful to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Mayor Bill de Blasio, and New York City Council Speaker Melissa Mark-Viverito for saying in no uncertain terms that refugees are welcome in New York and I join them in standing in solidarity with New York's Muslim American community."