



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## SENATOR MARTY GOLDEN RESPONDS TO RECENT ARRESTS IN ILLEGAL GUN TRAFFICKING

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Brooklyn - State Senator Martin J. Golden (R-C-I, Brooklyn), a former New York City Police Officer and author of legislation (S.2410/A.5477) to reduce the presences of gangs in New York, today has issued the following statement in response to recent arrests, and is urging the passage of this legislation this session:

"This year, the NYPD has made numerous arrests and have confiscated hundreds of

dangerous guns. Gang members are purchasing guns in other states and transporting to New York to be sold on the streets. Many gun transactions happened in Brooklyn neighborhoods including Bedford-Stuyvesant, Fort Greene, Sunset Park and Boerum Hill.

New York City is the final destination for deadly guns. Through this illegal enterprise, gang members are flooding the streets with weapons and stuffing their pockets with blood money” stated Marty Golden. “I am proud to sponsor an anti-gang bill that would clearly define gang offenses, increase penalties, provide for gang prevention programs in schools, establish the criminal street gang prevention fund, and develop a comprehensive approach to protecting public interests from gang related crime and violence. The NYPD and the Brooklyn District Attorney’s Office should be commended for their outstanding job arresting and prosecuting gang members. However, they can’t fight this war alone and that’s why I hope my anti-gang bill passes both the Senate and Assembly and signed into law by the Governor.”