



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Brian Kavanagh

Brian Kavanagh Seated as State Senator for Lower Manhattan and the Brooklyn Waterfront

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(**New York, NY**) – State Senator Brian Kavanagh today announced that he took his oath of office and joined the New York State Senate, representing the 26th District, and has resigned from the New York State Assembly, where he represented the 74th District on Manhattan’s east side. In this new seat, he will represent the Brooklyn neighborhoods of Brooklyn Heights, Carroll Gardens, Cobble Hill, the Columbia Waterfront, DUMBO, Downtown Brooklyn, Fulton Ferry, Greenpoint, the Navy Yard, Vinegar Hill, and Williamsburg, and the

Manhattan neighborhoods of Battery Park City, Chinatown, the East and South Villages, the Financial District, Little Italy, the Lower East Side, SoHo, and Tribeca.

Senator Kavanagh was elected in the general election in November 2017 after his predecessor, Daniel Squadron, resigned to accept a new job heading Future Now, a national non-profit organization. Before joining the Senate, Kavanagh served 11 years in the Assembly, was chief of staff to then-Council Member Gale Brewer, worked in three mayoral administrations, and practiced law.

“I’m grateful that the people of the 26th District have elected me to serve them in the State Senate. I look forward to representing communities throughout Lower Manhattan and the Brooklyn waterfront,” **Kavanagh said.** “This district has real needs — from promoting affordable housing, to improving transit and mitigating the impact of the looming L Train shutdown, to preventing inappropriate development, to ensuring our schools have the space and resources they need, to preserving and expanding green spaces. In the coming months, I’ll work to tackle these problems and make sure state government functions effectively for all New Yorkers.”

Senator Kavanagh’s legislative priorities in Albany include modernizing New York’s antiquated election laws, preventing gun violence, protecting the environment, enacting stronger tenant protections, and fixing the city’s beleaguered transportation system. His work will build upon his success in each of these areas during his decade of service in the Assembly.

A born-and-bred New Yorker, Senator Kavanagh has public service in his blood — his father, an Irish immigrant, worked as a police officer and his mother was a community leader who worked for many years at the *Staten Island Advance*. Senator Kavanagh attended Regis High School in Manhattan, Princeton University, and New York University Law School

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