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Senator Roxanne J. Persaud Expanded Resources for seniors at the Annual Senior Resource Day

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(Brooklyn, NY) Senator Roxanne J. Persaud held a highly successful Senior Resource event in collaboration with Sunrise Adult Health Care Center on September 6, 2018, from 11 a.m. from 2 p.m. at 1222 East 96th Street, Brooklyn.

The active adults in the Nineteenth Senatorial District had an opportunity to get valuable information about assistance and benefits available to them.

The agencies in attendance included AARP, American Cancer Society, American Red Cross, Department of Health - Early Intervention, Kingsborough Community College, Elderly Pharmaceutical Insurance Coverage (EPIC) Program, Empire Blue Cross Blue Shield, NYC Department of Finance, East New York Farms, NYS Department of Public Service, ConEdison, NYC Fire Department, NYC Department of Environment protection, Health First, United Healthcare and SNAP.

Many signed up for MTA Reduced-Fare; they also learned about Senior Citizens Homeowners Exemption (SCHE); Fire Safety and Prevention (free smoke alarms); NYPD Community Affairs; and Insurance Coverage. Other services for their age group were made available to them.

"Many of our seniors live on a fixed income and they also lack information about and access to resources that can assist them to live comfortably and independently. They may have difficulty navigating the complicated phone systems and online resources. At the Senior Resource Day, the seniors have a unique opportunity to meet directly with representatives and get the necessary support. "Senator Persaud said.

Seniors embraced the heat and enjoyed the refreshments as well as the giveaways. They cooled down with watermelons and Italian Ice. They kept cool with snow cones courtesy of Millennium Development.

Seniors danced away to the music which included popular line dances and displayed their agility. Others enjoyed being pampered with manicures and massages in the scenic green space.

The officers in the Community Affairs Department of the 69th and 63rd Precinct; the staff of Sunrise and other guests assisted her making the event exciting and memorable!

Senator Persaud will continue to bring even more resources to our seniors during the rest of 2018.