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## Senator Zellnor Y. Myrie Holds “Community Bill Signing” and Housing Forum on New Rent Laws

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**BROOKLYN, NY** — Brooklyn State Senator Zellnor Y. Myrie, lifelong rent-stabilized tenant and housing advocate, gathered tenants and residents of Central Brooklyn to celebrate the successful passage of the most sweeping package of rent reforms in a generation.

“After decades of losses, the laws we now have on the books represent a major victory for tenants after decades of losses,” **said Senator Myrie.** “We want to give people the opportunity to understand the new laws, exercise their rights, and get involved in the continued fight for housing justice.”

Judith Goldiner of the Legal Aid Society also spoke at the event, which was followed by Q&A on the package of reforms, the Housing Stability and Tenant Protection Act of 2019.

In Senator Myrie’s district, 57 percent of tenants pay more than a third of their income on rent, and 33 percent of tenants pay more than half their income on rent, according to analysis by the Community Service Society. The majority of those who live in rent-stabilized units are considered low-income tenants, and people of color are more likely than their white counterparts to live in rent-stabilized housing.

For additional information on the historic tenant protections and affordable housing legislation, please visit: <https://www.nysenate.gov/newsroom/press-releases/andrea-stewart-cousins/joint-statement-senate-majority-leader-andrea-0>

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