



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## STATE SENATOR ALESSANDRA BIAGGI ISSUES STATEMENT REGARDING ALLEGED POLICE MISCONDUCT IN MOUNT VERNON

ALESSANDRA BIAGGI June 5, 2020

**MOUNT VERNON, NY** – This week, audio tapes were **leaked** alleging police misconduct and corruption within the City of Mount Vernon Police Department, including framing of suspects, beating of residents, and collaboration with drug dealers.

**State Senator Alessandra Biaggi (D-Bronx/Westchester) issued the following statement:**

“I am deeply disturbed by the recent allegations of police misconduct in the City of Mount Vernon, which, if confirmed, may have led to the conviction of innocent New Yorkers. The allegations of police corruption and brutality revealed on the whistleblower tapes are appalling. I am concerned by what appears to be the slow pace of investigation by the Westchester County District Attorney’s Office – these allegations should have been promptly and thoroughly addressed when they were first brought to the District Attorney’s attention. I urge the District Attorney to swiftly investigate these allegations, and to review any convictions involving the identified officers. The absence of accountability in the wake of police brutality and misconduct is a detriment to our community and risks the public safety of every Mount Vernon resident. Should it become necessary, I would urge the Attorney General’s office to assist in the investigation.”

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