



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Senator Biaggi joins 32BJ SEIU for a virtual vigil to honor the lives of the essential airport workers lost due to the COVID-19 pandemic

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On May 28, Senator Biaggi joined 32BJ SEIU for a virtual vigil to honor the lives of the essential airport workers lost on the frontlines of the #COVID19 pandemic, lead in prayer by Reverend Kirsten Foy. She was joined by fallen airport worker Leland Jordan's daughter, impacted families, union members. The pandemic has made it tragically clear why we need the Healthy Terminals Act and the Senator is imploring her colleagues to pass it. The Senate has the power to move this bill. There is nothing to fear. Our biggest and greatest fear should be the loss of more life. All that we are asking is to add a supplement of \$4.54 an hour, per

employee so that each airport worker can access health insurance. Those are crumbs compared to the profits that the airlines make. Her message to the airlines is this, you should be ashamed of yourselves not to provide protection for the people who break their backs for you every day. Those who are carrying the bags, pushing your wheelchairs, and making sure that your airlines are successful. Without them you are nothing. This is the least you can do.