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PRESS RELEASE

(BRENTWOOD, NY): Today, New York State Senator Monica R. Martinez, in collaboration with the lawyers of Liga De Justicia, hosted her annual Back to School-End of Summer Event, as a special "Drive Thru Edition". More than one thousand children from the Third Senatorial District were registered for the event, where they received backpacks filled with school supplies. The event, created by Senator Monica R. Martinez, during her tenure as Suffolk County Legislator, is now in its fifth year. Four years ago, she partnered with attorney William V. Ferro, his firm Ferro, Kuba, Mangano, PC and their brand Liga De Justicia and the event has grown to be one of the biggest back to school events on Long Island. The event supports thousands of children in need from the community as well as local Not for Profit agencies Adelante, Pronto, Head Start and others.

“It was such a wonderful day to be able to see many new and familiar faces from the community and to give students a jump start for the upcoming school year. This is truly one of my favorite events each year, and I am grateful to all of our sponsors, and of course, William Ferro and the amazing team at Liga De Justicia, for their dedication to the community and support each and every year. 2020 has been a trying year thus far with the COVID-19 pandemic, the rise in unemployment, the decline of our economy and to give some sense of normalcy is what today was meant to bring,” said Senator Martinez.

In addition to the colorful backpacks, all children were provided with PPE to prepare for a safe return to school. They each received a boxed lunch from a local favorite, Pollo Campero along with some ice cold water from Suffolk County AME. The socially distant appropriate event ended with a special spin on the Liga De Justicia prize wheel, where each car had a chance to win a prize. Some special winners were lucky enough to drive away with Amazon tablets, or specially prepared backpacks filled with extra special goodies!

William Ferro, partner at Ferro, Kuba, Mangano, PC, and the heart behind Liga De Justicia said “The annual back to school event in Brentwood has become the signature event in the community. Our law firm and brand Liga De Justicia is honored to once again have partnered with Senator Martinez in helping bring smiles to so many families' faces at a time it is so needed.”

The great news is this team is not done bringing smiles and supplies to the community! Senator Martinez and Liga De Justicia will be back out in the community next weekend, on Saturday, August 29 from 11am to 1pm, with more supplies for our students! This time, they are headed to Bellport, at Robert Rowley Park, located at Patchogue Avenue and Hoffman Avenue.

Please note, registration is required. To register, please contact the office of Senator Martinez at (631)360-3356 or email them at backtoschoolsd3@gmail.com This event is a drive thru only, to ensure safety and social distance compliance. Senator Martinez and the Liga De Justica team look forward to giving out another one thousand (1000) backpacks next Saturday, August 29.

REGISTER TODAY!