



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Patty Ritchie

Statement from Senator Patty Ritchie

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It is well past time to close this unfortunate chapter in New York's history. I am relieved that today, the Governor made the right decision to step down, which will allow us to regain focus on the tremendous challenges we face as a state.

I look forward to working with Lt. Governor Kathy Hochul in her new role as Governor, as she is someone I have known and worked with for many years, dating back to when we both served as County Clerks. A fellow Upstate New Yorker, I have always appreciated Lt.

Governor Hochul's willingness to listen, visit my district and understand the issues we face.

I wish Lt. Governor Hochul the best of luck in her new position and am hopeful we can work expeditiously to get New York back on track.