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Statement from Senate Republican Leader Rob Ortt on Lieutenant Governor Brian Benjamin's Arrest

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Lieutenant Governor Brian Benjamin's arrest today on federal corruption charges is another stain on New York State Government, and calls into question Governor Hochul's judgment.

Over the past few days and weeks, Kathy Hochul and the Majorities in Albany have reinforced their support for Brian Benjamin despite news of federal investigations. Governor Hochul said herself this morning that she's "changed the culture of Albany." Unfortunately,

it looks like business as usual in our state Capitol.

Kathy Hochul and Senate Democrats might tolerate this corruption, but New Yorkers don't and neither do I.

I'm calling on Governor Hochul and Senate Democrats to stop hiding from the truth and join me in demanding Brian Benjamin's resignation.