

Senator George Borrello Calls on U.S. Attorney for Western New York to Investigate Firebombing of Pro-Life Women's Medical Office

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JAMESTOWN, NY – Senator George Borrello penned a letter to the U.S. Attorney for the Western District of New York requesting that she launch an investigation into the June 7 firebombing of the CompassCare pregnancy center in Amherst by an organized group of domestic terrorists that call themselves "Jane's Revenge."

In making the request, Senator Borrello cited the state's seeming reluctance to aggressively investigate the crime in order to identify the perpetrators and put them behind bars. There have been no public condemnations of the crime from Governor Hochul, Attorney General James or federal law enforcement

officials.

He emphasized the "lack of urgency and progress in investigating the attack and making arrests, despite the fact that there is surveillance footage and a clear claim of responsibility by a known domestic terror group."

"At last report, the New York State Police have not been directed to take an active role in the investigation, even though the alleged perpetrators have promised that they will escalate their violence against any pro-life pregnancy centers that do not permanently cease operations."

The Senator's outreach to the U.S. Attorney occurred just prior to his participation in a press conference with Rep. Claudia Tenney (NY-22), Rep. Lee Zeldin (NY-1) and CompassCare CEO Jim Harden aimed at encouraging greater action on the part of the state and federal governments to protect pro-life pregnancy centers from the violent attacks that Jane's Revenge and other extremist groups are threatening.

Congresswoman Tenney was among 122 lawmakers who recently sent a letter to Attorney General Merrick Garland calling on the Department of Justice to investigate recent nationwide attacks on pro-life organizations as acts of domestic terrorism. They cited 14 confirmed attacks against pregnancy centers and pro-life advocacy organizations since the leak of a Supreme Court draft opinion that could potentially overturn Roe v. Wade.

During the press conference, Senator Borrello underscored the fact that the number one job of government is to protect its citizens, no matter what their political affiliation or beliefs. He concluded by saying that the shameful response of Democrats "...shows how far to the left they have gone. In the end, there may be deaths and that blood will be on the hands of every Democrat at the state and federal level for their inaction on this crisis."

Senator Borrello's letter can be viewed here.

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