



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Brad Hoylman-Sigal

## State Senator Brad Hoylman-Sigal On Suspected LGBTQ Hate Crime Attack In Hell's Kitchen

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**State Senator Brad Hoylman-Sigal** said, "This morning a victim was reportedly stabbed by a group of individuals shouting anti-LGBTQ slurs in Hell's Kitchen, one of NYC's most prominent LGBTQ neighborhoods in my Senate district.

If confirmed, this will be yet another example of the type of vicious and hateful attacks on LGBTQ people that are on the rise across our country. It's even more chilling when they happen in the midst of our own LGBTQ community, but we must stand strong against this

hatred and outrageous attempts at intimidation.

This surge in anti-LGBTQ violence should be surprising to no one as it's occurred alongside the dramatic increase in inflammatory rhetoric and hate speech directed at the LGBTQ community by right-wing officials and media personalities. Just this week, for example, Kid Rock appeared on social media wearing a MAGA hat to open fire on cases of beer with an AR-15 rifle, apparently in response to the beer manufacturer's commercial partnership with the popular media influencer, Dylan Mulvaney, who is transgender. The video has garnered over 20 million views.

My heart goes out to the victim and his family. I commend the NYPD Hate Crimes Unit for their swift action in investigating this incident."

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