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**SENATOR JOHN LIU ANNOUNCES EARTH DAY FUN RUN ON LONG ISLAND MOTOR PARKWAY ON APRIL 27, 2025**

*First 100 runners will receive free t-shirt*

*Some runners may receive a little extra motivation... in the form of live cockroaches*

**Fresh Meadows, NY** - In celebration of Earth Day, and to help highlight the need for more interconnectivity between parks throughout Queens and Long Island, State Senator John Liu will host a 5K Earth Day Fun Run in Kissena Corridor and Cunningham parks on April 27, 2025.

The Earth Day Fun Run will kick off at 9 a.m. on Sunday, April 27, 2025, with participants meeting at the Peck Fields in Kissena Corridor Park at Peck Avenue and 193rd Street. The 5K route will wind along the Long Island Motor Parkway, through Cunningham Park. The first 100 runners to arrive will receive a free t-shirt.

**State Senator John Liu** stated, "On Earth Day, we are reminded that our parks and greenways are so much more than just beautiful places to gather, but vital infrastructure critical to our community's health and connectivity. Our Earth Day Fun Run will celebrate these green spaces while highlighting the need for stronger, safer connections between them. We're pushing forward legislation to study the expansion of the Long Island Motor Parkway trail, which would extend and link more communities to the Brooklyn Queens Greenway, and ultimately the Empire State Trail. All are welcome to run, walk, skip or sprint with us on our community's stretch of the Parkway and celebrate Earth Day together."

Senator Liu has introduced legislation, [S4484](#), to authorize a comprehensive study on extending the Long Island Motor Parkway trail from its dead end at Winchester Boulevard to the planned trail in Nassau, creating a seamless greenway across county lines.

Additional cosponsors include the New York Road Runners, Jamaica Estates Volunteer Ambulance Corps, Korean Road Runners Club, Cup Zero, NYC Parks & Recreation, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, Eastern Queens Greenway, Queens Botanical Garden, Alley Pond Environmental Center, Korean American Association of Queens, and Kissena Synergy.

Sponsors will provide free giveaways, educational materials, and interactive displays, including a bird's nest, feathers, animal pelts, turtle carapace, and more from Alley Pond Environmental Center. And for those needing an extra nudge of motivation to pick up the pace, APEC will be bringing live Madagascar hissing cockroaches as a form of natural inspiration. Additional giveaways include hats and hip bags from NYRR and tabletop compost bins from Queens Botanical Garden.

Participants are asked to register here: <https://forms.gle/HT6NDvgHjg1vxe2g7>.

Flyer and map are attached.

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The flyer features a central graphic of a smiling Earth with a face, surrounded by silhouettes of runners. At the top left is a circular portrait of NYS Senator John Liu. To his right are colorful flowers and the City of New York Parks & Recreation logo (a green leaf in a circle). Further right is the New York State Senate seal. The title "Earth Day Fun Run" is written in a large, green, cursive font. Below the title are logos for Alley Pond Environmental Center, NYRR (New York Road Runners), Jamaica Estates Volunteer Ambulance Corps, and the Korean Road Runners Club. The date and time "April 27 2025 9 am" are prominently displayed, along with the weather condition "RAIN OR SHINE". The location "Peck Fields Kissena Corridor Park 3" is specified, with the address "(Peck Ave & 193rd St) Fresh Meadows NY". Logos for cup zero, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Eastern Queens Greenway, and Queens Botanical Garden are also present. At the bottom right is a logo for "5K" with a runner silhouette. Contact information for Senator Liu's office is provided at the bottom.

**NYS Senator John Liu**

# Earth Day Fun Run

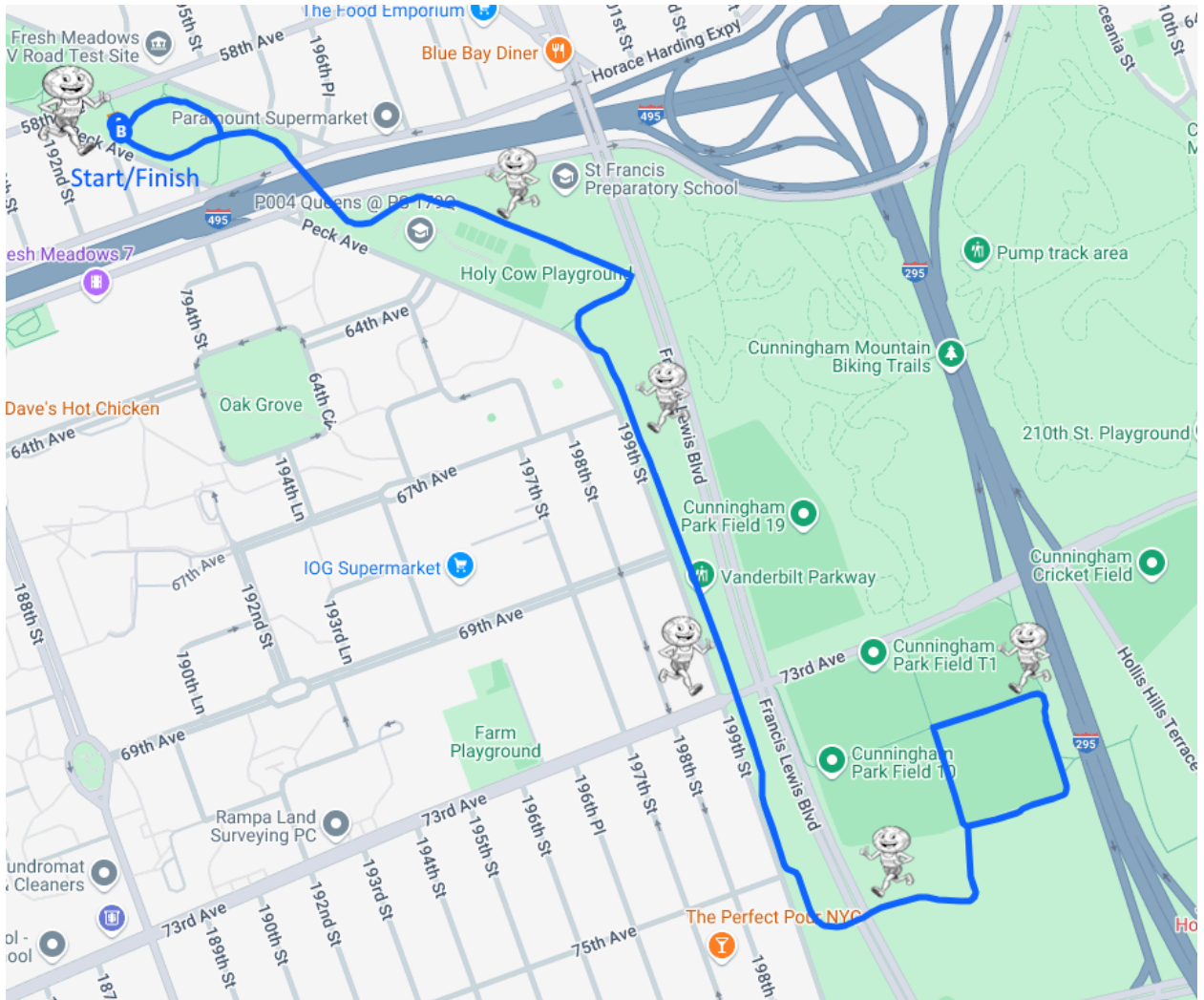
**April 27  
2025  
9 am**  
RAIN OR SHINE

**Peck Fields  
Kissena Corridor  
Park 3**  
(Peck Ave & 193<sup>rd</sup> St)  
Fresh Meadows NY

**5K**

**To participate please call or email us at:**  
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