



# Assemblywoman **Nily Rozic**

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Dear Neighbor:

First and foremost, I want to wish you and your family a happy holiday season!

When the legislature gavelled in, we had a lot of work to do. This year marked tremendous change in New York, including electing new leadership, passing much of the Women's Equality Agenda into law, and fighting tirelessly to renew and strengthen the rent regulation system for tenants. I was also named the Chair of the Subcommittee on Emerging Workforce.

Here at home, we celebrated the centennial anniversary of the oldest civic association in Queens (congrats Auburndale Improvement Association!), hosted hundreds of families at Music and Movie Night in Flushing, signed hundreds of seniors up for the NYC Rent Freeze Program, and installed more than 500 rain barrels across the district.

Working hard to ensure that working and middle class families have the opportunities to provide for their loved ones, advocating for more multi-lingual services to improve access for immigrants, and finding new ways to provide our homeless veterans the relief they need to get back on their feet are just a few of my priorities as 2016 approaches.

Keep your eye out for further information on a new pop-up location to sign up for the free municipal IDNYC and for details on a Senior Citizen Advisory Council coming soon!

In the coming pages, you can read more about my work over the last year, including updates on what has been happening in the community and information on pending legislation. Please share this information with a neighbor who might be interested in learning more!

Remember, you can always reach me at 718-820-0241 or rozicn@assembly.state.ny.us with any questions or concerns.

All the best

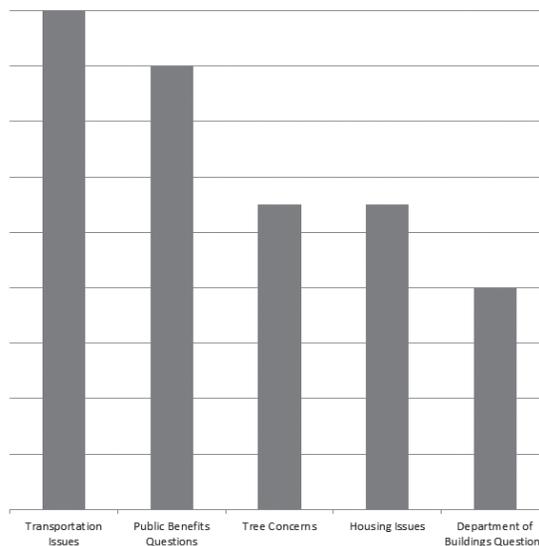


## Representing You in Albany

I have the privilege of serving as the Chair of the Assembly's Subcommittee on Emerging Workforce and as a member of five committees: Children and Families; Corporations, Authorities and Commissions; Correction; Environmental Conservation; and Labor. I am also a member of the Legislative Women's Caucus, the Puerto Rican/Hispanic Task Force, and the Black, Puerto Rican, Hispanic and Asian Legislative Caucus.

During this year's legislative session, I introduced 12 new bills in the State Assembly and passed legislation aimed at supporting women's rights, expanding access to education, improving public transportation, workforce development, and government transparency. ***This year, 4 of my bills have been signed into law. With your continued advocacy, I will continue to build on these accomplishments in 2016.***

### Top 5 Community Concerns



### Constituent Services

My staff is equipped to assist with any community concern you may have. In addition to the concerns listed, we frequently work with constituents on public safety issues, education issues, animal rights issues, and much more.

## Interested in interning?

To apply, please contact us at 718-820-0241 or rozicn@assembly.state.ny.us



### Hosting Mobile Office Hours

To make government services more accessible, I host mobile office hours all over my district, including the Rosenthal Senior Center in Flushing on a weekly basis and the H-Mart in Bayside on a biweekly basis. If you have a location in mind where you would like to see a mobile office or for more details on my mobile offices, please call us at 718-820-0241.

## Building a Thriving Community



### Conserving Resources

This year, I held a Rain Barrel Giveaway with the Department of Environmental Protection. The response was so overwhelming that I decided to host a Fall Giveaway as well. The Giveaway is a unique opportunity to conserve water that can later be used for lawns and gardens. Approximately 500 rain barrels along with installation kits, instructions, and the DEP Homeowner's Guide to Flood Preparedness were distributed to residents free of charge.



### Leading the Inaugural Bike Ride

A large portion of the 40 mile long Brooklyn-Queens Greenway, extends into my district. This summer, I was excited to hold the first district bike ride joined by local residents and Star Track youth riders. We rode through parts of Kissena, Peck, and Cunningham Parks in an effort to highlight improvements needed and plan future rides.



### Celebrating National Night Out

One of my favorite yearly events is National Night Out Against Crime, annual anti-crime rallies celebrating police and community partnerships. This year, I was able to provide the 107th, 109th, and 111th Police Precincts Community Councils with additional state funding to ensure this tradition continues next year.

## Enriching Our Future

The strength of our community, the well-being of our families, and the future of our state depend on the education we provide for students. It is no secret that our public schools need more funding in order to ensure that our students receive the best education possible. This is why I helped pass a budget with a \$1.6 billion increase in education aid over last year, for a total of \$23 billion. I also made sure that each of the public schools in District 25 received grants this past year to complete projects that would otherwise have not happened. Some of these projects included advancements in technology, school safety enhancements, and funding for the arts. When I return to Albany, I will continue to fight for full funding for students so that we can keep quality programs and services in our classrooms.



### The Next Generation of Leaders

Civic participation from all ages is the stepping stone for a better tomorrow. I was honored to swear-in multiple student installations of new student governments throughout the district. I would encourage all young people to get involved in their communities as early as possible so that together, we can build a better future.

## Standing Up for Seniors

### Increasing Multilingual Access

Verizon's Lifeline program provides qualified seniors with discounts to their landline phone service. After hearing that hundreds of residents had their benefits discontinued without prior notice, my colleagues and I sent a letter to the Chair of the Federal Communications Commission urging them to revise Verizon's Lifeline program to include multi-lingual notices, inform subscribers of recertification and service changes, and improve access for vulnerable New Yorkers.



### Rent Relief Programs

I held two NYC Rent Freeze Program Workshops to inform tenants about the rent relief programs available. These workshops were held in English, Chinese, Korean, and Spanish. The income threshold was recently raised by the State Assembly, which allows us to preserve housing affordability, increase rent protections, and ensure continued access to services for individuals who helped shape our communities.

### Funding Senior Centers

Our senior centers provide quality care and a wide range of services to seniors that can only continue with the proper funding, which is why I appropriated \$5,000 to multiple centers in this year's budget. I have seen firsthand the great work that these centers do and I am happy to make this necessary investment to better serve seniors. The Senior Centers included are Catholic Charities Bayside Senior Center, New York Armenian Home, Korean Community Services Flushing Senior Center, and the Chinese-American Planning Council Nan Shan Senior Center.

## Showing Solidarity



### Calling out the BDS Movement

To show its support for Israel, the State Assembly passed a resolution rejecting the Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions movement that aims to delegitimize Israel as a sovereign, democratic and Jewish state. This bipartisan resolution, which I cosponsored, sends a strong message that New York will not tolerate increasing anti-Semitism and anti-Israel campaigns. *Pictured with the Israel Foreign Ministry of Affairs Director Ophir Kariv.*

### Continuing State Sanctions Against Iran

In anticipation of Congress' vote on the Iran Deal, I sent a letter to Governor Cuomo with nearly thirty colleagues calling for the continuation of state sanctions. Keeping them in place sends a strong message that New York should not do business with Iran or its business partners.

## Upgrading Our Transit System

### Filling the Service Gap

I passed two laws in response to growing ridership and infrastructure improvements in our mass transit system. One bill streamlines the Metropolitan Transit Authority's adjudication cases and fights fare evasion. The other creates a more effective Select Bus Service by enhancing bus lanes across the City. Both laws promote public safety and transit improvements for drivers and riders alike.



Current transit in Eastern Queens does not support growing ridership or keep our community connected. With the help of neighborhood advocacy, the improved route in the Flushing-Jamaica corridor will preserve the parking lane for access to small businesses, allow for off-board fare collection, and help Queens grow.

### Repairing Our Roadways

I was happy to welcome the Department of Transportation Queens Borough Commissioner Nicole Garcia to walk through community concerns. We visited multiple locations in Flushing, Fresh Meadows, and Bayside to discuss traffic calming measures, pedestrian safety, street repaving, and infrastructure improvements.

## Fighting for Women's Rights



### Furthering Women's Equality

I am happy to announce a number of important women's equality bills were signed into law, marking significant progress in the long-standing efforts to strengthen women's rights. While there is certainly more work to be done, real improvements were enacted this year. In addition to cracking down on human trafficking and protecting women from retaliation for wage sharing, the new laws will curb workplace and housing discrimination that saps women's economic potential. Whether at home or at work, women have historically faced barriers to success, economic security and even safety. These new laws represent progress in making full women's equality a reality.

### Fighting for Fair Wages

In June, I introduced legislation called the Cheerleaders' Fair Pay Act to address unfair pay and degrading work conditions. So far, five teams in the NFL have been sued for wage theft, including the New York Jets and the Buffalo Bills. It is clear that policy changes are needed to prevent sports teams from capitalizing without providing the most basic workplace protections. For multi-billion dollar teams in the NFL and NBA, there is no excuse for failing to adequately pay their cheerleaders.



### Supporting Workplace Flexibility

As workforce dynamics change and more women enter the labor market, the demand for workplace flexibility grows. Survey results from over 1,000 New Yorkers prove that flexible workplace policies like my 'Right to Request' legislation are necessary to help working families. I am proud to see us moving in a direction that recognizes the benefits of flexible working arrangements, and look forward to working on these issues during the next legislative session.

### Standing Up to Domestic Violence

To combat the growing epidemic of domestic violence, the Assembly passed my bill that would strengthen protections for victims. The bill would allow victims of domestic violence who share a phone contract with their abuser to opt out of their plan without penalty. Through my legislation, we can help eliminate one of the numerous challenges domestic violence victims face when trying to sever contact with their batterer.

As we continue to make significant advances to combat the growing epidemic of domestic violence, I am proud to support community efforts to raise awareness such as the Silent March Against Domestic Violence organized every year by the Korean American Family Service Center and provide necessary state funding for domestic violence shelters.



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### Team Nily!

Let us know how we can help! My office can assist you with any questions or concerns. We speak multiple languages including: Mandarin, Korean, and Spanish.

My office is always looking for interns or volunteers to help out around the office and assist in special projects. Interning here can help students gain valuable experience working in public service. If you are interested in applying to be an intern or volunteer, please contact us!

*From left to right: Meagan Molina, Legislative Director; Erin Rogers, District Director; Assemblywoman Nily Rozic; Kevin Cho, Community Liaison; Marilla Li, Community Liaison.*