



Assembly Member
Rebecca A. Seawright
Assembly District 76



Dear Neighbor,

As the calendar year comes to a close and we prepare for the legislative session, which begins on January 3rd, I find myself reflecting upon what a privilege it is to represent the people of the Upper East Side, Yorkville, and Roosevelt Island. It is an honor to be your voice in Albany.

I wish you much health and happiness in the new year.

As always, we are just a visit, call or email away.

Peace, love and joy to you,



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Councilmember Ben Kallos, NYC Parks, and DDC Cut Ribbon on New East 81st Street Pedestrian Bridge

On a frigid Thursday, December 28th, a group of hardy New Yorkers joined Councilmember Ben Kallos, NYC Parks Commissioner Michell J. Silver and representatives from the City's Dept. of Design and Construction to celebrate the opening of the East 81st Street Pedestrian Bridge connecting the East River Esplanade at the lower level to the promenade at the upper level, known as the John Finley Walk.

"The reopening of the 81st Street Bridge will allow our community the unimpeded access we deserve in order to fully enjoy the Esplanade once again," said Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright. "Government must vigorously focus on infrastructure renovation and repair in order to maintain and enhance the quality of life of our neighborhood. Today's development is a major step forward"



Councilmember Ben Kallos, Former Community Board 8 Chair and Civil Court Judge-elect Honorable James Clynes, NYC Parks Commissioner Michell J. Silver, and representatives of the DDC cut the ribbon at the East 81st Street Pedestrian Bridge reopening.



Former Community Board 8 Chair and Civil Court Judge-elect Honorable, James Clynes, and newly elected Community Board 8 Chair, Alida Camp, share in the enthusiasm at the East 81st Street Pedestrian Bridge reopening.

New Year's Eve in Times Square

The New Year's Eve Celebration in Times Square will draw over 1 million participants to the Times Square area. Widespread street closures will begin as early as 4am on Sunday, December 31, 2017. A security perimeter with checkpoints will also be established by the NYPD around the area. Additionally, there will be a truck restriction in place from 38th to 59th streets between 6th and 8th Avenues beginning December 31st until 1:00am on January 1st. For additional information on public transportation, please visit mta.info.

Construction Advisory: Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center & Cuny/Hunter College, East 73rd/74th Street and FDR Drive site.

Construction activity will take place at the site on **Saturday, December 30th, 7:00 am - 6:00 pm.**

Please call the project's Construction Information Line at 212-639-4444 with any questions or comments.

DSNY Issues 'Snow Alert' for Saturday, December 30 at 6 a.m.

The New York City Department of Sanitation has issued a Snow Alert for Saturday, December 30, 2017 at 6 a.m.

In a snow alert, DSNY coordinates with the Office of Emergency Management and the Department of Transportation on snow clearing protocol in accordance with each agency's written snow plan. All relevant city agencies have been notified of the snow alert. DSNY will continue to monitor forecasts and will provide updates as the snow event approaches.

All winter weather information and information about the City's response to the storm can be found by visiting the City's Severe Weather website at www.nyc.gov/severeweather or by calling 311.

Reminder: Heat Season Rules are in Effect

The City Housing Maintenance Code and State Multiple Dwelling Law requires building owners to provide heat and hot water to all tenants. Building owners are required to provide hot water 365 days a year at a constant minimum temperature of 120 degrees Fahrenheit.

Between October 1st and May 31st, a period designated as "Heat Season," building owners are also required to provide tenants with heat under the following conditions:

- Between the hours of 6AM and 10PM if the outside temperature falls below 55 degrees, the

inside temperature is required to be at least 68 degrees Fahrenheit.

- Between the hours of 10PM and 6AM the inside temperature is required to be at least 62 degrees Fahrenheit. Note that there is no longer any outside temperature requirement for night hours

Tenants who are cold in their apartments should first attempt to notify the building owner, managing agent or superintendent. If heat is not restored, the tenant should call the City's Citizen Service Center at 311. For the hearing-impaired, the TTY number is (212)-504-4415. The Center is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.