



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Jose Peralta

Reward For Information About Pregnant Women's Killer Doubled

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State Senator Jose Peralta today announced that the reward for information leading to the arrest of Brandee Massey's killer has been doubled, to \$12,000, after securing commitments from Food Bazaar Supermarkets, which is contributing \$4,000, and Queens Center, which will donate \$2,000.

The pregnant Massey was shot the Wednesday morning before Thanksgiving in her LeFrak City apartment building. Her baby was later delivered, but died within hours.

On the heels of the murder, Senator Peralta announced he was offering a \$2,000 reward for information about the shooting and that he had secured a matching donation from the LeFrak City Organization. Added to the police department's \$2,000, the total reward stood at \$6,000. The contributions announced today raise the total to \$12,000.

"This community has come together not just to mourn Brandee's tragic loss, but to help bring justice to her family," Senator Peralta said. "Food Bazaar Supermarkets and Queens Center have deep roots in this community and understand that the most important thing we can do right now for the Massey family is to help law enforcement bring Brandee's killer to justice and make whoever is responsible pay for this brutal crime."

The owners of Food Bazaar Supermarkets said that, "We at Food Bazaar Supermarkets are stunned and saddened to hear about the fatal shooting of Brandee Anastasia Massey and her child. The Food Bazaar Supermarket chain has been a part of this community since 1988 and would like to pledge its support for information leading to the arrest of Brandee's killer. We are offering \$4,000. We hope that this will help those people who know something step forward and help justice be served on behalf of this young woman, her child and her grieving family.

In statement, Queens Center Mall said that, "The Queens Center family extends its deepest condolences to the Massey family. We thank Senator Peralta for his leadership at this difficult time and hope that our contribution to the reward will help bring a measure of consolation to Brandee's loved ones."

Anyone with information is urged to call the NYPD's Crime Stoppers, at (800) 577-TIPS, or text to 274637 (CRIMES), then enter TIPS577. A tipster's cell phone number will not be displayed or traced. A tip can also be submitted online, at www.nypdcrimestoppers.com.

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