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## Senator George Borrello and Assemblyman Joseph Giglio Blast Governor's Pro-Criminal Parole Board as Edward Kindt Escapes Supervised Custody and Returns to Salamanca

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JAMESTOWN, NY – Senator George Borrello and Assemblyman Joseph Giglio blasted Governor Hochul's pro-criminal Board of Parole upon learning that convicted murderer and rapist Edward Kindt escaped custody of his supervised transitional housing in Dutchess County and returned to Salamanca. This is the second time he has violated his parole since being released by the Parole Board. In returning to Salamanca, he also violated the order of the Seneca Nation banning him from their nation until at least 2025.

Senator Borrello condemned the Division of Parole for not notifying the Cattaraugus County Sheriff's Office of his escape until six days after he had absconded, a situation which put the community unknowingly at risk. He was taken into custody at 1:50 a.m. this morning.

**Senator Borrello said:**

"We are outraged that our community was put at risk by the Division of Parole's failure to notify authorities in Cattaraugus County that Edward Kindt had escaped until six long days had passed.

"With his record as a vicious predator and murderer and disciplinary violations while in prison, this individual should have never seen the light of day again. The very least that DOCCS could do to ensure public safety is to make sure his transitional supervision was as tightly controlled as possible. They failed to do that and there should be an inquiry as to why.

"The pro-criminal policies of the Hochul administration and the Democratic majorities continue to put New Yorkers at risk. They destroyed public safety at every touch point in the criminal justice system. From the so-called bail and discovery 'reforms', to the "Less is More" parole changes which allowed Kindt to violate parole once and avoid returning to prison, and their reckless Parole Board which is stacked with activists who are releasing dangerous people every day.

"Every New Yorker should be concerned and outraged at the danger created by irresponsible Democratic policies.

**Assemblyman Giglio said:**

"This is completely unacceptable and further proof that granting killers like Kindt parole doesn't work.

Parole knew Kindt wasn't at his group home last Thursday, but it took them almost a week to notify the Cattaraugus County Sheriff's Department. They put our community at risk.

The first thing they should have done is notify the Cattaraugus County Sheriff's Department when they knew Kindt had violated his parole and they didn't know where he was. Where did they think he was going?

DOCCS is trying to blame the delay in notification on the last week's Microsoft outage. Well, the phone lines weren't down. They should have called the sheriff's department.

This proves Kindt should never have been a candidate for parole. He's never shown an ounce of remorse for taking Penny Brown's life. He belongs behind bars for life.

Kindt was banned by the Seneca Nation of Indians from all Seneca Nation Territories for life. Not only did Kindt violate our laws, he violated the laws of the Seneca Nation of Indians."

Edward Kindt was released from prison in March 2023 after the Parole Board voted in favor of his release. He was in prison for the brutal rape and murder of Penny Brown, a Salamanca nurse, mother, and wife.