

## SENATOR WALCZYK CALLS OUT GOVERNOR HOCHUL FOR HER EXECUTIVE ORDER AGAINST CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS

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New York State Senator Mark Walczyk is calling out Governor Kathy Hochul for her recent Executive Order, which declares a disaster emergency and essentially punishes correction officers for standing up against the failed policies that have plagued our correctional facilities.

During her January 2025 Executive Budget address, Governor Hochul boldly declared, "Your family is my fight." Having not forgotten that statement from the Governor, Senator Walczyk believes she has turned her back on New Yorkers.

"Madam Governor, practice what you preach! Who is fighting for our correction officers' families? Your actions are fighting against them, making it nearly impossible for these brave individuals to provide for their families you swore to fight for. Depriving correctional officers of job opportunities and stripping their families of health insurance is the exact opposite of your promise.

The hypocrisy is staggering. While Governor Hochul touts that we are hiring, she simultaneously blocks these newly jobless individuals from applying for the very positions that could support their families," Walczyk continued. "If she truly cared about families, she would be working to ensure our correction officers have safe working conditions and the support they need. Instead, she turns her back on them, reinforcing a punitive atmosphere that only exacerbates the crisis within our correctional facilities."

To read Executive Order 47, you can do so by clicking here.