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40th Annual 116th Street Festival

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On Saturday, June 7, Senator Serrano proudly joined community members to celebrate the 40th Annual 116th Street Festival in the heart of El Barrio. During the

festivities, he presented a proclamation honoring this significant anniversary, acknowledging the festival's vital role in promoting Puerto Rican culture. This lively event is a tribute to Puerto Rican heritage, featuring an array of artistic performances, local cuisine, and engaging activities that draw thousands of attendees from across the nation. The festival showcases the rich heritage of the Puerto Rican community through music, dance, and art, making it a highlight of the cultural calendar. Each year, this vibrant festival is held on the day before the National Puerto Rican Day Parade on 5th Avenue, creating a weekend of festivities that honor the contributions of Puerto Ricans to the broader American tapestry.