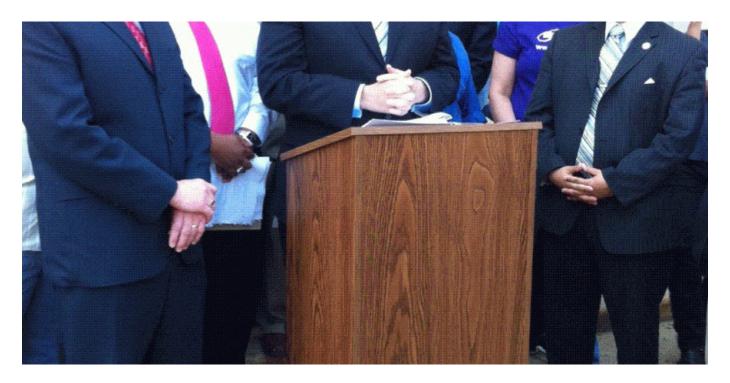


Senator Rivera Joins Bronx Community Leaders and Elected Officials at Marriage Equality Press Conference

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Senator Gustavo Rivera joined Bronx community leaders and elected officials at a press conference in support of marriage equality. The press conference was sponsored by the Bronx Rainbow Independent Democratic Association (BRIDA) and the Bronx Community Pride Center.

"The right to marry your partner, to take care of your partner when they're sick, take time off from work to care for them - those are basic rights all New Yorkers deserve," said Senator Rivera. "Denying marriage to same-sex couples is a discriminatory practice. I believe New Yorkers deserve equal rights and that includes marriage equality."

Senator Rivera has committed to voting in favor of marriage equality when there is a vote on the floor of the New York State Senate.