

## Senator Reverend Ruben Diaz: Let the People Vote!

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New York State Senator Reverend Ruben Diaz (D-Bronx) is calling for all New Yorkers to attend the "Stand Up And Be Heard Let the People Vote" Rally on Sunday, July 24, 2011 at 3PM in front of Governor Andrew Cuomo's New York City office located at 633 Third Avenue near 41st Street and march to the United Nations.

Senator Reverend Diaz issued the following statement:

"This Sunday a thousand people will demonstrate in midtown to let Governor Cuomo and Mayor Bloomberg know that even though the same-sex marriage law was approved by the legislature we will not be silenced!

In a city where teachers and public employees are being laid off, and fire houses are being closed for lack of funds, Mayor Michael Bloomberg has decided to spend city funds to have government offices open on a Sunday to perform same-sex weddings.

Having had this bad law passed, we should not retreat in fear the way the Apostles did in the days after the crucifixion and before the resurrected Christ came to reveal himself. Instead,

we need to maintain the same drive that the Apostles had after the resurrected Lord filled them with the Spirit.

We have initiated a campaign requesting a referendum so that the 20 million citizens of New York State can vote on and decide whether or not they want same-sex marriage in New York or not.

Let the people vote!"