



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Statement From State Senator Jose Peralta On BP Marshall's Last State of the Borough Address

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"Borough President Helen Marshall's tenure has been bookended by tragedy, beginning in the wake of September 11<sup>th</sup> and coming into a final year where the devastation wrought by Superstorm Sandy looms large.

"Her message that 2013 will be the Year of Hope will serve as inspiration to all Queens residents as we face the enormous challenges of the coming year.

"Beyond serving as a beacon of resilience and determination, Helen Marshall has accomplished a great deal during her historic tenure, particularly in the areas of education, affordable housing, services for seniors, the fine arts, health care and economic development. From mobile science labs in schools to multi-generational housing for seniors caring for grandchildren, to foreclosure prevention services, Borough President Marshall has promoted innovative solutions to community concerns.

"I want to thank Borough President Marshall for her service and I look forward to seeing her vision for a better Queens continue to blossom."