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Senator Serrano Weighs in on Gun Control at NYU Panel

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(New York, NY) – Senator José M. Serrano served as a panelist for an important discussion at NYU entitled: “Triggering the Debate: Race, Gun Control, and Mental Illness.” The panel addressed the national debate regarding gun laws and considered the complicated history that race and mental illness has historically played in the debate.

“Recent acts of gun violence are alarming. My colleagues and I must do everything possible to pass legislation that will protect the people of New York,” said Senator Serrano. “As an elected official, it is also very important to me that we urge our legislators on a national level

for tougher measures that will ensure that guns do not end up in the wrong hands,” concluded Serrano.

Other panelists included: Bridgeport Mayor Bill Finch, MSNBC's Joy-Ann Reid, and Gary Belkin from NYU Langone School of Medicine. The event was moderated by Jonathan Metzl, Professor of Sociology and Medicine at Vanderbilt University.