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BROOKLYN -- Today, State Senator Daniel Squadron, Congresswoman Nydia Velázquez, Public Advocate Bill de Blasio, Brooklyn Borough President Marty Markowitz, Assemblymember Joan Millman, Council Member Brad Lander and Council Member Stephen Levin, released the following statement upon SUNY's attempt to close Long Island College Hospital this weekend:

BROOKLYN -- For six months, SUNY has been claiming it has to close LICH. And for six months everyone - the state, the courts, health care providers, the community, and all of Brooklyn - have said absolutely not.

SUNY has resorted to rogue, unlawful tactics. They are depriving Brooklynites of care and risking lives.

It's time for an independent overseer for LICH, which the state and the court must insist on.

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