

Senator Avella Applauds Dec Ban on Hydrofracking

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"After nearly six years of working tirelessly in the fight against hydrofracking, having first introduced a resolution in the City Council and then leading the fight in the legislature by introducing the first bill that would ban the practice, I am ecstatic with the DEC and DOH's conclusions. As part of what has been the largest grassroots movement in history, I have long emphasized the possible health risks, as well as the grave environmental dangers at stake here, and it is great to see that today, the science and the people have won," said Senator Tony Avella. "I applaud Commissioner Martens, Acting Commissioner Zucker, and Governor Cuomo in their findings. Dr. Zucker was correct when he said that we cannot afford to make a mistake. I am glad to say that today, in prohibiting hydrofracking in New York State, we have done the right thing."