

NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

NYS State Senator Eric Adams against High Capacity Magazines sold in New York State

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NYS STATE SENATOR ERIC ADAMS DROVE FROM UPSTATE NEW YORK TO THE BRONX BORDER WITH AN ASSAULT RIFLE AND HIGH CAPACITY MAGAZINE TO DRAMATIZE

HOW EASY IT IS TO BRING DANGEROUS WEAPONS INTO NEW YORK CITY

NYS Senator Eric Adams held a press conference with Kings County District Attorney Charles Hynes and other state legislators to display how easy it is to transport an assault rifle and high capacity magazines into NYC.

At 1:00 PM, Senator Adams drove down Broadway in Yonkers, NY, and stop at the corner of Caryl Avenue, one block outside of Bronx County.

Once arriving at the location, the group displayed the high capacity magazines and assault weapon. Senator Adams then announced the introduction of a bill that will ban the sale of high capacity magazines in New York State.

Senator Eric Adams states: "In light of the recent horrific massacre of innocent victims in Aurora, Colorado, the abhorrent shooting in Tucson, Arizona, that claimed the lives of many and severely altered the life of former U.S. Representative Gabrielle Giffords, and the senseless tragedy at Columbine High School 13 years ago, it is quite evident that high capacity weapons are a threat to the general public as well as law enforcement. The aforementioned incidents clearly illustrate how the easy acquisition of high capacity weapons leads to devastating effects of the lives of all Americans. Today, we display these lethal weapons on Broadway to keenly portray that this must be the final curtain call to the production and distribution of these high capacity weapons. The New York Legislature must protect its citizens from the occurrence of another calamity."

Kings County District Attorney Charles J. Hynes states: "I applaud the efforts of State Senator Eric Adams to ban the sale of High Capacity Magazines in New York State. High Capacity Magazines are inherently dangerous and we don't need another Aurora, Colorado tragedy to convince the New York Legislature of how important Senator Adams' legislation is to public safety."

Bronx District Attorney Robert T. Johnson states: "These concerned legislators are to be commended for highlighting the complexity of the challenge that we face in seeking to limit the availability not only of dangerous firearms, but of the ammunition which makes them deadly. These lawmakers recognize that the difference between the legal or illegal sale of high capacity magazines is a county line. We need to eliminate that difference."

Senator Andrea Stewart-Cousins, Senator Malcolm Smith and Senator Daniel Squadron attended the conference as well.

NOTE: Although high capacity magazines are illegal to sell and own in New York City, they are legal to purchase and sell throughout New York State.

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