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HOYLMAN HAILS GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO DESIGNATE JULIUS' BAR AN HISTORIC SITE

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NEW YORK – Senator Hoylman (D-Manhattan) released the following statement in response to Governor Cuomo's announcement that he would recommend adding Julius' Bar to the 

state and national registers of historic places. Located within Hoylman's district, Julius' became an epicenter of the pre-Stonewall LGBT rights movement in 1966 when members of the Mattachine Society -- one of the first gay rights organizations in the United States -- held a "sip-in" that challenged State liquor laws barring openly gay persons from being served freely in bars.

"LGBT history is American history. An important part of that history is Julius' Bar, one of the oldest gay bars in the city. By including Julius' on the state and national historic registries, we'll help ensure that future generations can be inspired by the events that occurred at Julius' Bar and propelled the LGBT civil rights movement forward. I'm grateful to Governor Cuomo for his leadership and the Greenwich Village Society for Historic Preservation for their work in nominating Julius' Bar and preserving LGBT history throughout Greenwich Village."

Senator Hoylman has long supported designating Julius' as an historic site, writing to the Landmarks Preservation Commission on three separate occasions since 2014 advocating for landmark status.