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## Addabbo, Civic to Sponsor Seminar on Dealing with Active Shooter Situation

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Howard Beach, NY (April 12, 2016) Senator Joseph P. Addabbo, Jr. is partnering with the Ozone Park Tudor Civic Association and the NYPD to host a presentation next week to inform the public on how to deal with an active shooter situation.

Crime prevention officers from the NYPD's Community Affairs Bureau will be at the civic group's monthly meeting on Wednesday, April 20, to discuss with those in attendance how they can spot possible signs of someone who may become an active shooter in a public place. The officers will also provide information on what to do during an active shooter situation in order to keep yourself and those around you as safe as possible.

"It is a sad and unfortunate reality that in recent years, mass shootings in public places have become an all too common occurrence," said Addabbo. "While our main goal is to prevent these tragic events and ultimately put an end to gun violence once and for all, it is important that we also stay prepared for such circumstances and educate ourselves with certain tips that can help you survive a situation involving an active shooter. Just like we are taught to be prepared for other emergency situations such as a fire or weather phenomenon, we should also know how to protect ourselves in the event of a dangerous situation while in a public place. These seemingly simple tips our police officers will provide can prove to be something that one day saves your life or someone else's. I sincerely thank the Ozone Park Tudor Civic Association for hosting this event, as well as the NYPD for its continued determination to ensure all New Yorkers are kept as safe as possible, even in the event of a tragedy."

The presentation will take place on Wednesday, April 20 at 7:30 p.m., inside Party Affairs, located at 85-08 Pitkin Avenue in Ozone Park. Due to limited seating, if wishing to attend the free event, call Senator Addabbo's Office at 718-738-1111.