



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Senator Avella Wonders What it Will Take for City To Stop Dumping in College Point

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**College Point, NY** – It appears that, once again, the illegal storage of industrial materials on a public College Point street has resurfaced. And like the two times prior, Senator Tony Avella is asking the City to put a stop to it once and for all.

In 2014, Senator Avella called on the City to take action against commercial businesses who had completely taken over the street and sidewalk of 124<sup>th</sup> Street and 28<sup>th</sup> Avenue with construction materials and other debris. Less than a year later, Senator Avella was standing at the same spot asking the City to take further action after the illegal storage resurfaced.

Now, two years later, the illegal storage and dumping of construction materials and debris has made a comeback to the College Point block.

“What will it take for the City to realize that stronger action is needed to stop the use of a public sidewalk as a storage facility? Year after year, this problem continues to resurface and each time the City cleans it up, businesses like Y Star Plumbing are not deterred from doing it again. While I commend the Department of Sanitation for being the first and only agency to take immediate action against these infractions, the illegal dumping continues to resurface. As I have said too many times before, issuing a violation does nothing but create a minor obstacle for these businesses. I call on the City to take this issue seriously and

implement serious sanctions on these violators so that we can finally deter these actions once and for all and finally have a dumping free College Point," **said Senator Avella.**