

NEW YORK STATE SENATOR James Sanders Jr.

Senator James Sanders Jr. **STATEMENT** Death of 10-Year-Old Davina Afokoba

JAMES SANDERS JR. February 14, 2022



Senator James Sanders Jr. said: "Our community has experienced terrible tragedy - the death of a child - a beautiful young girl, full of promise with a bright future ahead of her. As a father myself, I can tell you that I could not imagine anything more devastating than losing a child.

Last week, Davina Afokoba, 10, was killed by a speeding SUV while she was on her way home from school. Now her family has to deal with the aftermath of horrific incident. The driver allegedly had no license, only a learner's permit.

We need to do all we can to prevent reckless driving and fatal collisions. Davina Afokoba should be with

us today, celebrating life with her family and friends, but instead they are planning her funeral. My thoughts and prayers are with them during this very difficult time."

Davina's mother has set up a GoFundMe page to help with funeral costs and other expenses.