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NYS SENATOR ERIC ADAMS, CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE HOMELAND SECURITY COMMITTEE, EXPRESSES SHOCK AND GRIEF FOLLOWING TODAY'S HATEFUL, COWARDLY, AND DEADLY ATTACK AT THE UNITED STATES HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL MUSEUM IN WASHINGTON, DC.

NYS Senator Eric Adams expresses shock and grief following the hateful and deadly attack at the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, DC today. Senator Adams' thoughts and prayers go out to the family of the brave security guard, Stephen Tyrone Johns, whose heroism and sacrifice will never be forgotten.

Senator Adams' statement: *"I must express my grief following today's act of hatred and violence in our nation's capital. At an institution dedicated to cultural understanding and an acute awareness of the dreadful abyss where hate can lead, we are again reminded of the best and worst of humanity.*

"Stephen Johns' heroism is matched only by his sacrifice today. In a hall that assures and urges its visitors that "We will never forget," we must pledge the same anew. Our thoughts and condolences are with his family at this most difficult time.

"Terror takes many forms, but hate often has only one end result. Let us rekindle our dedication to teaching tolerance and understanding while rejecting as a nation the hateful and the venomous.

"Today's dreadful event demonstrates again why institutions like the U.S. Holocaust Museum are necessary and why museums that show us humankind's past should be visited by all Americans and peoples of the world: to spread the word about the results of hatred; to allow for tranquility and calm reflection on the darkest sides of the human experience; and to remind us that cooperation and tolerance are the ways to true greatness."

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