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Written Testimony

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Hi, my name is Carlos Ronisky, I'm a Rent Stabilized Tenant in Lower Manhattan, and a Cooper Square Committee Tenant Leader. Today we have a Housing crises, that has only gotten worse over these past 11 months since the start of the Pandemic.

Before New York State's next budget gets passed, it is crucial that our State Legislatures pass legislation, which will "Cancel Rent" and "Tax the Rich". We need a landlord hardship fund, like the one currently in Assembly member Niou and Senator Salazar's Cancel Rent Bill, so landlords whom are eligible for assistance, will be given it. Cancelling Rent for tenants is the only way families and individuals across the state will be able to clear there back rent.

Thank you for allowing me to testify today.