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SENATOR BILL WEBER APPOINTED TO ANTISEMITISM WORKING GROUP

Working Group Will Travel around the State to Address Rise in Antisemitic Incidents

Albany, NY – New York State Senate Republican Leader Rob Ortt announced the creation of an Anti-Semitism Working Group that will hold roundtables throughout the state to hear from stakeholders and make recommendations on ways to best address the alarming rise in antisemitic incidents in New York State.

Senator Jack Martins will serve as Chair of the working group. Senator Patricia Canzoneri-Fitzpatrick, Senator Joseph Griffo, Senator Peter Oberacker, and Senator Bill Weber will serve as additional members.

"We continue to see an alarming rise in anti-semitic hate crimes here in New York. These types of violence have no place in our state and nation – no innocent, law-abiding New Yorker should ever feel threatened, especially on the basis of their faith. The Senate Republican Conference is committed to restoring public safety, and protecting our Jewish brothers and sisters from hateful acts of violence. This working group will gather information and formulate solutions on how the Legislature can best reverse this rising trend, and I look forward to their report," said Leader Ortt.

"I want to thank Leader Ortt for asking me to join the important antisemitism working group to help ensure we do everything possible to end hate in New York. Our conference will continue to stand against antisemitism, known as the world's oldest hatred," **said Senator Bill Weber.**