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SUE SERINO Senator, 41<sup>st</sup> District

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## SERINO NAMED 'GUARDIAN OF SMALL BUSINESS' BY LEADING ADVOCACY GROUP

HYDE PARK, NY – The National Federation of Independent Business—the nation's leading small business advocacy group—has officially named Senator Sue Serino a 2018 'Guardian of Small Business.'

"Small business owners work every day to create jobs, revitalize neighborhoods and provide opportunity in communities across New York; they need representatives in Albany who work just as hard. As evidenced by her perfect NFIB Voting Record score, Senator Sue Serino has stood shoulder-to-shoulder with Hudson Valley small businesses every chance she's had," said Greg Biryla NFIB's N.Y. State Director. "Senator Serino has been named an NFIB "Guardian of Small Business" because she is a fierce advocate for lower taxes, sensible regulatory reform and economic development policies that put Main Street first."

"As a small business owner myself, this award is incredibly meaningful to me, and I thank NFIB for their tireless advocacy on behalf of New York's job creators," **said Senator Sue Serino**. "When the recession hit, I was forced to make tough choices for my business to survive, and as a result it still exists today. Small business owners know how to cut waste and make strategic decisions to maintain jobs that power our communities. When Albany wants to raise taxes or create more red tape, I never forget those experiences and I draw on them to fight for our local businesses that contribute so much to our community."

Given to those known for their passionate and effective advocacy on behalf of small and independently owned companies, Senator Serino was one of only nine State Legislators to receive the 'Guardian Award.' The award is the most prestigious given by the association, which represents over 10,000 small and independent businesses across the state.

NFIB is a nonprofit, nonpartisan association with offices and representation in all 50 states. Their mission involves empowering small business owners by amplifying their voices in an effort to shape public policy issues to ultimately help small businesses thrive.