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## Legislator Monica R. Martinez Reads to “Book Buddies” at Barnes & Noble

(Bay Shore, NY): On December 5, Legislator Monica R. Martinez was invited to Barnes & Noble Bookfair in Bay Shore to read to children enrolled in a valuable reading program, “Book Buddies”. This program, founded by Virginia Bull, with the help of volunteers, is devoted to strengthening literacy skills in children.

Children enrolled in this program meet every morning before school to read together and are visited once a month by a local elected official, community leader, or member of the clergy to choose a book they enjoy and read it to the children.

Legislator Martinez read “Click, Clack, Ho! Ho! Ho!” to the children and they loved it!

