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***SUFFOLK COUNTY STANDS FOR EQUAL HOUSING RIGHTS
FOR VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC ABUSE***

Hauppauge, NY - On Tuesday, December 2nd, Resolution 1996-2014, making housing discrimination against victims of domestic violence illegal, was passed by the Suffolk County Legislature. The resolution, spearheaded by Suffolk County Legislator William R. Spencer, M.D., (D-Centerport), prevents housing discrimination against those who have suffered from domestic abuse. With 85% of domestic abuse being women, this legislation brings Suffolk County to the forefront on women's equality by ending discrimination and inequality based on gender.

WHO:

Suffolk County Executive Steve Bellone
Legislator William Spencer
Presiding Officer DuWayne Gregory
Legislator Kara Hahn
Legislator Monica Martinez
Legislator Sarah Anker
Legislator Kate Browning
Legislator Rob Calarco
Legislator Al Krupski
Legislator John Kennedy
Legislator Kevin McCaffrey
Legislator Thomas Muratore
Legislator Jay Schneiderman
Legislator Robert Trotta
Councilwoman Tracey A. Edwards
Colleen Merlo, Exec. Dir. Of the S.C. Coalition Against Domestic Violence
Jennifer Blaske, Exec. Dir. Of the S.C. Human Rights Commission
Susan Lagville, Exec. Dir. Housing Help
Martha Maffei, SEPA Mujer
Clarice Murphy, Exec. Dir. of VIBS

WHAT:

Legislator Spencer, joined by colleagues and Advocates of Domestic Abuse Victims and Housing Rights to announce the passage of IR 1996-2014

WHEN:

Thursday, December 4, 2014 at 9:30 a.m.

WHERE:

Lobby of William H. Rogers Legislature Building, 725 Vets Memorial Hwy, Hauppauge, NY

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