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# TODAY: Lawmakers and Advocates Call for Statewide Right to Shelter, Permanent Housing Solutions In Response to Record Number People Who Are Homeless in NYS

Even Before the Influx of More Than 60,000 New Immigrants, New York State Struggled to Move People From Shelters to Permanent Housing

All New Yorkers – Regardless of Immigration Status or Zip Code – Deserves a Safe, Affordable Place to Live

**NEW YORK** – Today, **Wednesday**, **October 11**, **2023 at 11AM**, lawmakers and advocates will join together at Governor Hochul's Manhattan Office to call on her to create statewide right to shelter, invest in rental assistance and tenant protections, and provide a path to social housing for all.

**WHAT:** More than 60,000 new immigrants are housing insecure in New York State, in addition to record number of New Yorkers who have been trapped in the city and state's broken shelter system. Mayor Adams and Governor Hochul have pointed fingers and laid blame on President Biden, with Mayor Adams going so far as to seek to undo the right to shelter in court.

Now more than ever, the entire state of New York needs Right to Shelter. This is a moment for our city and state to mobilize all the public resources to meet the moment – not to pit new New Yorkers against those who've lived here longer, and certainly not to cut back on critical services and infrastructure.

### WHO:

- Assemblymember Marcela Mitaynes
- Milton Perez. Homelessness Union Leader at VOCAL-NY
- Dave Giffen, Executive Director of Coalition for the Homeless
- Judith Goldiner, Attorney in Charge, Civil Law Reform Unit Legal Aid Society
- Faceli Avarez, Member of Make the Road NY
- Rabbi Margo Hughes-Robinson, Jews for Racial and Economic Justice

## WHEN:

Today, Wednesday, October 11, 2023 at 11:00 AM

### WHERE:

Governor Hochul's Manhattan Office - 633 3rd Avenue, New York, NY 10016

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