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THE COUNCIL
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COUNCIL MEMBER, 19TH DISTRICT, QUEENS

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Dear Constituent,

Thank you for contacting my office regarding the proposed cuts to the Queens Library. Please be assured that I will do everything in my power to support a full restoration of funds to the Queens Library.

The Queens Library serves an important role in the community and it is unfathomable that the Mayor's budget calls for such severe cuts. If the proposed cuts are executed, then the branches within the Queens Library System will be closed four or five days a week. Many individuals will lose their access to the internet and other vital services that the libraries provide should the budget be slashed by the proposed \$26 million.

Further, if the proposed funding cuts come to fruition then the Library will be forced to lay off over 505 employees. In this economy I cannot stand for the elimination of so many jobs, especially since the library employees work every day to improve the community and provide families with no-cost enrichment.

Thank you for expressing your concern about the future of the Queens Library system. I promise you that I will stand with you and do everything in my power to ensure the full restoration of funding to the Queens Library.

In Service

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Dan Halloran
Council Member, District 19

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