

December 23, 2008

Dear New Yorker:

On behalf of the New York City Council and our Black, Latino and Asian Caucus, I would like to invite you to City Hall on Tuesday, January 20, 2009, at 9:30 a.m. to view the historic moment that President-elect Barack Obama is sworn into office. City Hall will open its doors to all New Yorkers on Inauguration Day. Even though we cannot all be in Washington, DC, that day, we may still come together to view this historic event.

Voter turnout in the 2008 election was a record high. Enthusiasm about Obama's election has continued to grow since then, creating significant interest in the inauguration and the work that lies ahead for his administration. Recognizing that during these difficult financial times many New Yorkers may be unable to make the trip to our nation's capital for the inauguration, the Council will open our side of City Hall to the public for this special occasion.

Doors will open at 9:30 a.m. The inaugural ceremony traditionally begins around 10 a.m. and lasts for about two hours. The Council will have big screen televisions set up in the Council Chambers, the Committee Room, and the Rotunda.

All New Yorkers are welcome! **Space is limited, though, so please RSVP by January 16<sup>th</sup>** to 212-442-1649 or via email at [events@council.nyc.gov](mailto:events@council.nyc.gov).

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Christine C. Quinn". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Christine C. Quinn  
Speaker  
New York City Council