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Assembly Member Bill Scarborough visits Queen Chamber

NYS Assembly Member William Scarborough, chair of the committee on Small Business, met with leaders of the Queens Chamber of Commerce, Friday, December 9, 2011. Following the Assemblyman's initial remarks, the members and guest of the chamber engaged Mr. Scarborough in a lively discussion on NYS economic policies including the regional economic development councils, locating a convention center in Queens (as recommended by the NYC Regional Economic Council), outreach to small businesses on state business assistance programs and other small business concerns.

The Queens Chamber of Commerce represents thousands of businesses and firms of all sizes that do business from and/ or in our vibrant borough. On behalf of its 1,200 members, collectively employing 500,000 residents of Queens County, the Chamber through its programs and advocacy, works to promote the general welfare of the Borough of Queens and to foster its commerce. The meeting with Assemblyman Scarborough continues a series a meetings with Queens elected officials organized by the Chamber's Committees on Legislative Advocacy and Communications and Public Affairs. Previous meetings this year included United States Treasurer Rosie Rios, Member of Congress Joseph Crowley, Council Land Use Chair Leroy Comrie, Zoning Chair Mark Weprin, Small Business Chair Diana Reyna and Council Member Dan Halloran.

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Assembly Member William Scarborough addresses Queens Chamber. Left to right: Chamber Policy Advisor Corey Bearak, Joshua Bienstock (Resolve It, Inc.), Laura Imperiale (Tully Construction, Vincent Petraro, Esq., Assembly Member William Scarborough, Chamber President Carol Conslato (Con Edison), Chamber Executive Director Jack Friedman, former NYS Assembly Member Ivan Lafayette, Errol G. Hinds (LegalShield) and Sher Sparano (Benefits Advisory Service) [Photo by Jaqueline Donadio, Queens Chamber of Commerce.] (additional pictures on next page)

