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## **DSNY Holds Graduation, Promotion and Awards Ceremony**

### **Commissioner Discusses City's 0x30 Campaign, to Send Zero Waste to Landfill by 2030**

#### **WHAT:**

The New York City Department of Sanitation will hold a **graduation, promotion and awards** ceremony with more than 700 employees. Commissioner Kathryn Garcia will also speak about the **0x30 Campaign**, our goal of sending zero waste to landfill by 2030.

#### **WHO:**

- **Kathryn Garcia**, Sanitation Commissioner
- **Graduates:** More than 500 newly graduated employees, including Sanitation Workers and Sanitation Police Officers
- **Promotions:** More than 150 newly promoted employees
- **Award Winners:** More than 50 award winners, including Medal of Honor, Distinguished Service Certificate and employee Finalist of the Year award recipients

Gold Medal of Honor awardees, given to employees who went above and beyond the call of duty, include:

- **Curtis Jackson**, a Sanitation Worker who thwarted an attempted robbery at a convenience store while on duty
- **Sara Bartlett, Elizabeth Maldonado, Briana Marquez, Cheri Marquez and Lisa Whitfield**, civilian employees who worked together to save the life of a coworker who suffered a heart attack while driving. **They will be reunited with the coworker they saved.**

#### **WHEN:**

Ceremony starts at 10: 00 a.m.

#### **WHERE:**

Christian Cultural Center  
12020 Flatlands Avenue  
Brooklyn, New York 11207

#### **About the New York City Department of Sanitation**

The Department of Sanitation (DSNY) promotes a healthy environment through the efficient management of solid waste and the development of environmentally sound long-range planning for handling refuse, including recyclables. The Department operates 59 district garages and manages a fleet of 2,022 rear-loading collection trucks, 450 mechanical brooms and 500 salt/sand spreaders. The Department clears litter, snow and ice from approximately 6,500 miles of City streets and removes debris from vacant lots as well as abandoned vehicles from City streets.