

Mayor Adams' Statement on President Biden's State of the Union

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NEW YORK – New York City Mayor Eric Adams tonight issued the following statement in response to President Joseph Biden addressing the nation during the State of the Union:

“Tonight, President Biden laid out his vision about how to build a better America — one with a stronger economy, one that has safer streets with fewer guns, one that invests in our health care system and moves towards normal routines again while keeping up the fight against COVID-19, and one that defends democracy, both at home and abroad.

“While everything the president spoke about is worthy to note, I am deeply grateful that President Biden directly mentioned two heroes who sacrificed their lives for the people of New York City — Detectives Jason Rivera and Wilbert Mora. These two men died in the line of duty, and we must honor them by being clear that we will not abandon our streets, just as the president said.

“Public safety and justice are prerequisites to prosperity, so we must end the wave of gun violence we are seeing across New York and the rest of the nation.

“The president came to New York City last month to discuss how the federal government can help cities combat the scourge of gun violence, which is exactly what my [Blueprint to End Gun Violence](#) does. Public safety is my administration’s highest priority, which is why we will remove guns from our streets, protect our communities, and create a safe, prosperous, and just city for all New Yorkers.”

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