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## READOUT OF MAYOR DE BLASIO'S CALL WITH IRELAND'S TAOISEACH ENDA KENNY

Mayor Bill de Blasio spoke with Ireland's Taoiseach Enda Kenny Thursday morning to congratulate the Taoiseach on Ireland's marriage equality vote and praise him for his leadership on this issue. The Mayor and the Taoiseach discussed the significance of Ireland's role as the first nation to achieve recognition of marriage equality through a referendum, and spoke about the importance of listening to the voices of the people. The Mayor also expressed his appreciation that the referendum brought a younger generation of Irish citizens into the public process, noting that this vote was an important step toward greater civic involvement in Ireland. The Taoiseach expressed his desire to visit New York City again in the future, and said the people of Ireland knew of New York City's longstanding commitment to equal rights.

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