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**STATEMENT OF NEW YORK CITY COMPTROLLER SCOTT M. STRINGER ON THE  
ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE EXPLOSION IN EAST HARLEM**

One year ago a devastating explosion shook East Harlem, taking the lives of eight people and injuring many more. We will never forget the five men and three women who died. Our hearts are with their loved ones.

On this day of remembrance, we also acknowledge that this tragedy did not shake the resolve of residents who came together and rebuilt their lives. As the community began the long road to recovery, we saw the bravery of first responders, the generous outpouring of help from neighbors, and once again, how New Yorkers work with each other at a time of crisis to heal.

One year later, we remember those proud residents of El Barrio who are no longer with us—and we continue the important work of renewal.

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