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DISTRICT ATTORNEY KATZ WELCOMES SUMMER INTERNS

*The Brave Justice Summer Internship Program Set To Run Until August 2
Aims To Provide 64 Interns With Hands-On Experience And Valuable Insights Into The Legal Field*

Queens District Attorney Melinda Katz welcomed 64 law school and college students for the start of an enriching nine-week summer internship program.

District Attorney Melinda Katz said: “We are happy to bring on board this bright and diverse group of interns to spend the summer gaining invaluable experience learning about the inner workings of the criminal justice system. Working on behalf of the people of Queens is a tremendous responsibility and we hope this program serves as a springboard for a career in the justice system.”

The program, known as the Brave Justice Summer Internship, not only offers a unique opportunity for the interns to gain practical knowledge but also serves as a stepping stone for aspiring prosecutors.

The intern class consists of 49 law students -- 40 2L and nine 1L students -- from 22 law schools across the country including the University of Wisconsin, University of New Hampshire, Western New England University, Tulane University, St. John’s University and Cardozo School of Law.

Fifteen undergraduate interns from 12 schools including New York University, Iona University, the University of Georgia and Emory University are also represented.

The diverse class speaks more than 11 languages including Spanish, Urdu, Korean, Chinese and Farsi. Interns from outside of New York City have access to complementary housing during the program.

Queens District Attorney’s Litigation Training and Legal Hiring Divisions are guiding the interns through an immersive experience which includes working actual cases in various bureaus; mock trial and jury selection training; and tours of the NYPD Training Academy, JFK Airport and Port Authority Police Department as well as other site visits around the borough.

The interns will also be able to enjoy some quintessential Queens activities such attending a Mets game.

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