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**The NYC Faith in Action for
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2ND ANNUAL NEW YORK CITY STEPPING UP IN FAITH FOR HIV AND AIDS

Bringing individuals from Faith and Secular organizations together to eradicate HIV and AIDS

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NEW YORK, NY On Monday, July 12, Brooklyn Borough President, Hon. Marty Markowitz leads off the 2010 City-wide “Stepping Up In Faith For HIV and AIDS” week of events that run from Sunday, July 11 to Saturday, July 17th.

The kickoff event will take place Monday, July 12, 2010 at 11:00 am at the steps of Brooklyn Borough Hall featuring people living with HIV/AIDS, clergy, elected officials, leadership of AIDS service organizations, city agencies, and supporters. A briefing of the 2010 HIV/AIDS events that will take place within the five boroughs will follow the kickoff ceremony.

The collective mission of the NYC Faith in Action for HIV/AIDS Prevention, Care and Education Coalition is to educate the communities we serve on issues of HIV/AIDS prevention and care services. The Coalition is a citywide partnership of faith-based, health and secular organizations that have a common goal—to reduce and ultimately eliminate HIV and AIDS in New York City. In 2009, we officially launched the “a citywide, Stepping Up In Faith For HIV and AIDS on the steps of City Hall. Last year’s activities included HIV testing, as well as workshops on HIV prevention and other health topics at community-based organizations and faith communities throughout the five boroughs.

According to the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, New York City remains the epicenter of the HIV/AIDS epidemic in the U.S., with more AIDS cases than Los Angeles, San Francisco, Miami and Washington DC combined. We sincerely believe that your support in the citywide events will enhance the “**Stepping Up in Faith for HIV and AIDS**” week of community events and inspire those in attendance.

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