

## Today's Headlines: Quinn Declares For Mayor | Cuomo & Casinos

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City Council Speaker Christine Quinn formally declared Sunday that she is running for mayor. "I'm running for mayor because I love this city. It's the greatest place in the world," she said [in a five-minute video](#) posted on her campaign website at 8 a.m and linked to a post on Twitter. She spent several hours on a walking-and-talking tour of the boroughs ([New York](#), [The Associated Press](#), [DNAInfo](#)).

Although it was far from a surprise, the City Hall press corp gamely followed along, with The New York Times reporting this about one encounter between the candidate and a bus driver in the Bronx: "It was a scene nearly unimaginable in this buttoned-up era of City Hall: Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg, after all, is not known for greeting New Yorkers with an enthusiastic public display of affection." She sounded her campaign theme of representing the middle class ([Capital New York](#)).

Quinn has a lead in the polls for the Democratic primary, which is expected to take place in September ([The Wall Street Journal](#)) . [Daily News](#) columnist Mike Lupica wonders whether Quinn " can run for mayor and win by talking out of both sides of her mouth."

Here's Quinn's video:

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