

State Sen. Rivera Elaborates on Quinn Endorsement

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Bronx State Sen. Gustavo Rivera says he [officially endorsed](#) City Council Speaker Christine Quinn in her mayoral bid earlier today because she "has been there" for the people he represents.

I asked Rivera what brought about his endorsement so early in the race before any other state legislators have made tipped their hats.

"First of all I respect all the candidates but I had to make an assesment on who is going to be best for job," he said. "We need a leader to bring people together with common interests. She is a proven leader knows how to bring interests together in the City of New York. I was not looking to endorse someone I agree with 100 percent of time."

Rivera said that he has had a good working relationship with Quinn and that she has responded quickly on issues, such as getting properties in the Bronx away from absentee landlords.

"Whenever we have reached out she has been there," Said Rivera.

Photo of Sen. Gustavo Rivera by Jon Reznick.□

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