Clean Streets Clean Beaches

Dear Fellow New Yorkers

The New York City Department of Environmental Protection, together with the Department of Sanitation and the Department of Parks and Recreation, recently launched their Clean Streets=Clean Beaches campaign to educate citizens about the effects that improperly disposed of street litter can have on our enjoyment of the beaches during the hot summer months. During a rain storm, street litter can wash into storm drains and be carried into local waterways and onto the beaches.

In addition to this educational campaign, we are also designating Sunday, August 12, as a day of service to help clean up some of the local beaches that New Yorkers enjoy the most. The clean up will take place from 8 am to noon. Rain date for this event will be Sunday, August 19. We will be sending teams of volunteers to the following locations:

- **Plumb Beach,** Brooklyn, exit off the Belt Parkway eastbound just past Exit 9, Knapp St. or via bike path which starts at Emmons Ave. and Brigham St.
- Gerritsen Beach, Brooklyn, Gerritsen Ave., street end, south of Lois Ave.
- Kaiser Park, Brooklyn, Park House at West 28th St. and Neptune Ave.
- Pugsley Creek Park, Bronx, Lacombe Ave. and Pugsley Ave.
- Conference House, Staten Island, Conference House Park Visitors Center
- Rockaway Beach, Queens, B. 97th St. on the boardwalk

New York City is fortunate to have a large expanse of shoreline, and local waterways that are the cleanest they have been in more than 100 years. We invite you to join us—and your friends and neighbors—on August 12 to help clean and beautify these recreational areas. We will be providing gloves and bags for each beach clean-up effort.

For more information or to sign up for a beach clean-up, please email beachcleanups@dep.nyc.gov, or please call us at 718-595-6599.

We hope to hear from you—and look forward to seeing you on August 12.



The City of New York Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg



