

May 2021 Full Board Report to Manhattan Community Board 6

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- Congresswoman Maloney was one of the few guests invited to attend President Biden's joint address to Congress. The president emphasized that we need to seize this opportunity to build on the progress of the first 100 days and make once-in-a-generation investments to create jobs. For the third consecutive week, weekly unemployment claims fell to a new pandemic-era low, and the economy grew 1.6 percent a robust 6.4% annualized rate in the first quarter as the economic recovery gathered steam. While these numbers are good news, we still have a long way to go until we've fully recovered.
- 2. Last month, we passed the American Rescue Plan. Congresswoman Maloney helped lead the efforts to bring \$100 million to New York State to get shots in arms, put food on the table, and help small businesses survive. With the effective distribution of vaccines and the aid in the American Rescue Plan, Americans across the country are beginning to go back to work, small businesses are able to keep their doors open, and Americans' lives are beginning to return to normal.
- 3. Congresswoman Maloney is very excited about the American Families Plan, which invests in our kids, our families, and our economic future, as well as the American Jobs Plan. The American Families Plan will make education more affordable and expand opportunity though transformational investments. It will Provide universal access to high-quality, free Pre-K for 3- and 4- year-olds, make two years of community college free for all Americans, among many other important policies that will prioritize families. With the money Congresswoman Maloney helped secure in the American Rescue Plan, 3-K will be available in every school district across our city.
- 4. In the American Jobs Plan Congresswoman Maloney is calling for an extension of the 2nd Avenue Subway to go up to 125th Street, funding allocation for East Side Access bringing LIRR Service to the East Side of Manhattan, and implementing high speed rail between New York and Boston.
- 5. Finally, she is working on an issue that I know is important to many of you: helicopters. She would like to see her Improving Helicopter Safety Act, H.R. 1643, incorporated into the upcoming Surface Transportation Reauthorization package. The legislation would prohibit non-essential helicopter flight over New York City airspace.