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Highlights

- 1. Declaring combating gun violence his top priority, Manhattan District Attorney Alvin Bragg today announced the appointment of Peter Pope as the Manhattan District Attorney's office first ever Executive Assistant District Attorney for Gun Violence Prevention. Mr. Pope is an accomplished attorney with expertise in gun violence prevention and a proven record of taking on tough challenges and getting results. Pope will focus on identifying and prosecuting those who are driving the violence, investigating and prosecuting gun traffickers, prosecuting those who carry guns on our streets, redoubling the office's efforts in identifying persons with a history of committing domestic violence who have guns, and working with community partners in intensified efforts to intervene before the violence occurs.
- 2. Manhattan District Attorney Alvin Bragg today announced the launch of the new "Manhattan Small Business Alliance" to reduce shoplifting and commercial robberies in partnership with small business leaders in every neighborhood of Manhattan. Comprised of local business owners, Business Improvement District ("BID") directors, members of law enforcement, and social service providers, the Alliance will meet regularly to analyze and review data, draft recommendations, and develop solutions. Additionally, the Alliance will host a series of focus groups with different types of small businesses, and businesses in specific geographic areas (e.g., Chinatown) to ensure that a diversity of perspectives inform the Alliance's recommendations. Members of the D.A.'s Office, as well as Chauncey Parker, NYPD Deputy Commissioner for Community Partnerships, will serve as law enforcement representatives on the Alliance.