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## December 2023 Full Board Report to Manhattan Community Board 6

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## **Highlights**

1. One More Bill Signed, One Left to Go: The Governor has signed into law Assemblymember Bores' bill eliminating obstacles to optometrists starting their practices. Prior to this legislation, optometry students could not undergo their apprenticeship in New York if they were attending an accredited program anywhere outside of the state. Removing this requirement will help to eliminate the shortage of optometrists in New York, as most optometrists begin practicing in the state in which they apprenticed.

This means the Governor has signed every bill the Assemblymember has passed barring one, which has just arrived at her desk: his legislation which adds a total of 20 judges across NYC and New York State.

- 2. Community Events: The Assemblymember hit the dance floor at Lenox Hill Neighborhood House's Annual Thanksgiving Dinner Dance, greeted constituents at the New York Public Library's Holiday Open-House, and has attended several tree and menorah lightings across the district to ring in the holiday season, including in Murray Hill. The Assemblymember also hosted a shredding event with Senator José Serrano. Thanks to the help of NYC Sanitation, we were able to help neighbors shred 1 ton of paper.
- 3. Artificial Intelligence (AI) Discussions: The Assemblymember participated in several discussions on Artificial Intelligence (AI) and its rapid development. At Temple Emanu-EI, Cornell Tech, and at the NewDEAL Leaders Conference, the Assemblymember discussed the impact AI will have on all of our lives, and the role the government must play to ensure this technology remains a tool for good, rather than a threat.
- 4. Happy holidays from the Assemblymember and all of us on Team Bores!