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LEGISLATOR STEVE STERN ADVISES VETERANS OF FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Long Island Cares-The Harry Chapin Food Bank Provides Support

HUNTINGTON, NY- Suffolk County Legislator Steve Stern (D-Huntington) 16th LD, Chairman of the Veterans and Seniors Committee, is advising veterans that Long Island Cares-The Harry Chapin Food Bank offers emergency food, community outreach and support services to Long Island veterans. Among the programs and benefits offered are the First Stop Pantry, which provides up to 10 days of meals for individuals and families who have never utilized a local community pantry. Food is provided free of charge, along with valuable information and resources pertaining to government entitlement programs, benefits, assistance with mortgage and utility bills and other referrals, as needed.

Additionally, Long Island Cares operates a Mobile Pantry to deliver nutritious meals to homebound disabled veterans who are unable to receive assistance through local pantries.

"I applaud Long Island Cares for providing these critical services to the brave men and women who have sacrificed so much to protect our freedom and our way of life," Legislator Stern said. "The transition from service to civilian life can be especially challenging during these difficult economic times and I encourage all veterans who may benefit from these services to contact Long Island Cares" Long Island Cares can be contacted at (631) 582-FOOD or on line at www.licares.org.