

911 Civil Rights Bill on Brink of Passage in New York State

New York State Senate & Assembly leaders have the chance to make history and end a gross and deadly discriminatory practice of bypassing 911 for the disabled

DELMAR, NEW YORK, UNITED STATES, June 21, 2017 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The 911 Civil Rights Bill to Protect People with Disabilities has massive bi-partisan support and will pass the New York State Senate & Assembly today when brought to the floor for a vote. The battle is on, the vital need to 911 first responder medical and police assistance and services for our most vulnerable verses the powers to be that are more concerned about money than providing the safe care and services or equal rights to the extremely vulnerable that they serve. I believe righteousness will win out over evil. The thought alone and belief that 1,000,000 New Yorkers with disabilities living outside of their family home are not worthy of being protected and assisted swiftly by 911 first responder medical and police personnel is not only evil, it is the worst discrimination that I know. To say or believe it is okay to not provide swift 911

services and help for our most vulnerable is atrocious. Believing that people with disabilities are a lower class person or unequal resident of New York State or citizen of our country and are unworthy of these basic rights and privileges to 911 help put in place decades ago, as well as denying this "specific group of people" equal protection of laws is beyond unconstitutional, it is shameful and it is unconscionable. I believe that all New York State leaders will do the right and just thing today and pass the 911 Civil Rights Bill in both the New York State Senate and Assembly and Governor Cuomo will sign into law immediately this 911 Civil Rights Bill to Protect & Ensure Equal Rights for people with disabilities.

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Jonathan Carey "Champion for the Disabled" Born September 12,1993 Killed by caregivers on February 15,2007

One hundred fifty six (156) New York State Legislators have signed on as co-sponsors to this vital lifesaving bill that will save hundreds of people with disabilities from dying prematurely simply because 911 will be required to be called. Hard to fathom, but right now in 2017 in New York State there

is no law requiring mandated reporters and those that work with people with disabilities in care facilities and group homes to call 911 regarding medical emergencies including deaths, as well as physical or sexual assault crimes. This 911 Civil Rights Bill simply rectifies this gross injustice that has taken far too many people's lives.

The number one known reason for deaths of people with developmental and intellectual disabilities in residential care facilities and group homes in New York State is staff not calling 911. The number two and three known cause also revolve not calling 911 and not providing swift emergency medical attention, these deaths are due to choking and bowel management or in other terms bowel restrictions and deaths due to sepsis because no medical assistance was sought.

The NYS Senate said they wanted to get 911 for the disabled this year and today is the last day of the legislative session and Speaker Heastie has promised to bring the 911 Civil Rights bill to the floor for a vote once there were 76 members signed on as co-sponsors. To date, there are 112 NYS Assembly members are signed on of which 76 are Democrats.

Today is the day for the NYS legislature to pass one of the most important bills ever to protect New York State residents with disabilities. The 911 Civil Rights Bill will immediately save lives, many hundreds annually, it will end a gross injustice and discriminatory practice of not providing 911 first responder medical and police assistance and services for the disabled to this "specific group of people" which is "discrimination in civil rights" and the 911 Civil Rights Bill will radically reduce the scope of abuse and neglect occurring because the current process of internal reporting will be changed.

"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."- Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

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