

July 22, 2015

The Honorable William Bratton
Commissioner
New York City Police Department
1 Police Plaza
New York, NY 10007

Dear Commissioner Bratton:

We hope this letter finds you well.

We write regarding the Midland Motor Inn, located at 630 Midland Avenue in Staten Island (Block 3875, Lot 26).

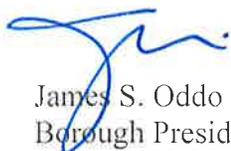
As you know, last night a three-alarm fire tore through this long-time community eyesore, injuring several firefighters. We have enclosed a copy of the *Staten Island Advance* covering the fire for your review. This hotel has been notorious for decades as a result of the criminal element that has flocked to it, the resulting criminal behavior that has taken place in and around it, and the flouting of various city safety regulations on the part of its owners. On many occasions, at our request, various city agencies have taken enforcement actions against the hotel to preserve the safety of those who reside there and the community as a whole. These enforcement activities have led to scores of violations, including many that remain unresolved and open. Yet, the hotel has continued to operate.

As a result of this fire and the uncertain condition of the building, we ask the NYPD to provide continuous patrols around the unsafe perimeter of the building until any public safety issues are eliminated.

This structure is located in Midland Beach, which is still recovering from the devastation brought by Hurricane Sandy. We must ensure the safety of the community.

We thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,



James S. Oddo
Borough President



Steven Matteo
Minority Leader

