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Former Deputy Secretary of State for New York & Jersey City Resident to Join Fulop Administration as Newest Deputy Mayor Overseeing Economic Development

Mayor Fulop Continues to Grow Senior Staff with Top Tier Professionals from Across the Region

JERSEY CITY - Mayor Steven M. Fulop announced today that the **former Deputy Secretary of State for New York and Jersey City resident**, Marcos Vigil, is joining the administration as the City's **newest Deputy Mayor**, as the mayor continues to bring top tier professionals to Jersey City government to implement his vision for creating the best mid-size city in America.

Mr. Vigil has served for the past four years as the Deputy Secretary of State for New York in the administration of Governor Andrew Cuomo. During his tenure with New York State, Mr. Vigil headed the Division of Consumer Protection and represented the Secretary of State as Chair of the New York State Real Estate Board, a regulatory body overseeing real estate professionals.

“We are continuing to develop a team of top tier professionals from across the region who can execute our vision for developing Jersey City into the best mid-size city in America,” said **Mayor Fulop**. “With his experience in New York, Marcos will successfully build upon our current growth by working to attract new businesses to Jersey City, expanding development and real estate, and improving government services.”

As Deputy Mayor, Mr. Vigil will oversee economic development and real estate, working closely with the Department of Housing, Economic Development and Commerce as well as the Jersey City Redevelopment Agency. He will also collaborate on policies related to government operations. A resident of Jersey City, Mr. Vigil will earn a salary of \$110,000.

Jersey City currently leads the state with residential construction and has the most development underway in the City's history, with 6,000 units under construction and another 18,000 approved.

At the New York Department of State, Mr. Vigil oversaw six agencies with revenue generation of more than \$70 million annually. Those divisions included the Divisions of Corporations and Licensing Services, which licenses and regulates 32 different occupations across New York. Mr. Vigil was also instrumental in streamlining operations that lead to greater efficiencies and reduced operating costs, and will work in Jersey City to continue the mayor's agenda of streamlining services and creating greater efficiencies.

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“I am excited and looking forward to working with Mayor Fulop and his team to serve Jersey City residents and the business community in what is one of the most dynamic cities in the nation,” said **Mr. Vigil**. “I was extremely impressed by Mayor Fulop and his vision for Jersey City. I also would like to acknowledge and thank Governor Cuomo and Secretary Perales in New York for the opportunity to serve the people of that great state.”

Prior to his appointment by Governor Andrew Cuomo, Mr. Vigil worked as an attorney for several law firms in New York City, representing domestic and international clients in complex civil litigation and advising on employment and business law matters.

A graduate of Princeton University, Mr. Vigil received his Juris Doctor from Fordham University School of Law. Mr. Vigil has served as a Board Member of the Puerto Rican Bar Association, and as Deputy General Counsel of the National Hispanic Bar Association. He was listed in the Super Lawyers Magazine 2011 NY Metro Rising Stars list.

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