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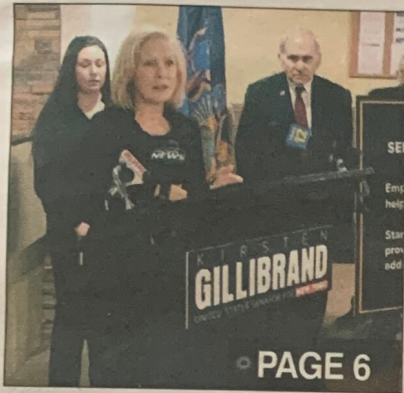
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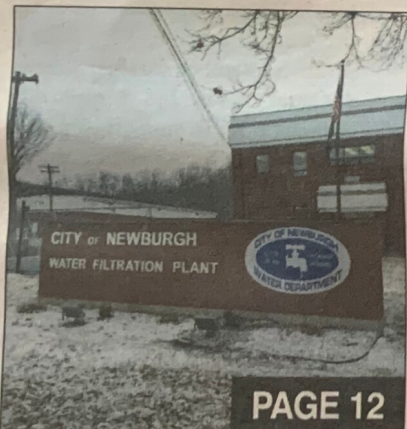
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Cuomo Outlines Agenda in State of the State Address



Democratic Governor Andrew Cuomo, Wednesday, presented his 10th state of the state message with what he called a progressive program for 2020.



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Yvette Bairan Appointed CEO of Astor Services

RHINEBECK - The board of directors of Astor Services for Children & Families has appointed Yvette Bairan as its chief executive officer (CEO) effective January 6, 2020. Ms. Bairan has been serving as interim CEO of Astor, after former CEO, James McGuirk, PhD., stepped into a new role as president of The Children's Foundation of Astor in July 2019.

A dedicated employee of Astor for 11 years, Ms. Bairan had previously served as chief quality and compliance officer. The organization conducted a search process involving a board search committee, with assistance from a professional executive search firm.

"After a thorough CEO search and selection process, it was clear that Yvette possesses the passion, values, skills and experience vital to leading our organization and to magnifying our impact," said Dr. James Regan, interim board chair for Astor. "With Yvette at the helm of our dedicated staff, the children and families entrusted to Astor will continue to receive top level care and attention, as proven by her leadership during the transition and search process."

A seasoned member of the non-

profit's team, Ms. Bairan brings years of experience to the table, and is highly regarded by her colleagues. She will oversee Astor Services in strategically dealing with the changing environment of government funding and will work to increase private philanthropic support for the organization.

"After 11 years working at Astor in various capacities, it is an honor and privilege to have been offered the position of CEO by our board of directors," said Ms. Bairan. "While serving as interim CEO over the past six months, it became increasingly evident that Astor's work with children and families is more critical than ever. Partnering with our dedicated staff and supporters to continue and expand Astor's meaningful work is a great opportunity that I am humbled to accept."

Msgr. Kevin Sullivan, executive director of Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York, expressed his support for the new CEO: "I am pleased to welcome Yvette Bairan as the newest member of the talented and dedicated group of CEOs who lead Catholic Charities agencies. Astor is a premier Catholic Charities agency and I am grateful for the work of the board

in selecting Ms. Bairan to lead it."

To learn more about Astor's programs, services and leadership team, visit www.astorservices.org.

About Astor Services for Children & Families

Astor Services for Children & Families, as it has since 1953, promotes the well-being of children, adolescents and their families through a range of programs that prevent and treat emotional problems and facilitate healthy development. Now serving more than 10,000 children and families annually, Astor's current range of services to families in the Mid-Hudson Valley and the Bronx include: Residential Treatment, Therapeutic Foster Family Care, Early Childhood Programs, and Community-Based Behavioral Health



Photo: Yvette Bairan

Yvette Bairan

and Prevention Services. For additional information please visit <http://astorservices.org/> or call (845) 871-1117.

Earthquake Relief for Puerto Rico

Friends and family of the victims of the earthquake, are requesting your generosity and help with donations to help the citizens of Puerto Rico rebuild and survive this devastation.

Donations accepted through January 31, 2020.

Items needed: First Aid Kits, Tooth Brushes, Toothpaste, Soap, Baby Formula, Baby Diapers, Baby Wipes, Adult Diapers, Lotion, Razors and Shaving Cream, Tents, Solar Charging Systems, Ropes, Water Proof Bags, Cots, Sleeping Bags, Water.

The following are drop off sites:

- * Newburgh Armory Unity Center 321 S William St, Newburgh NY 12550 Ph:(845) 245 - 4035
M -F 9am -5pm, Sat 8am - 12pm
- * Town of Newburgh Ambulance 97 South Plank Rd, Newburgh NY, 12550 Ph: (845) 561 - 0950
Sunday- Saturday 8am - 5pm
- * Drone Tech UAS office 60 prospect Ave. Suite 3 Middletown NY 10940, Ph: (631) 384 - 9817

For more information Contact Vanessa at (845) 420 -9122 email at vanesacesp114@gmail.com, Volunteers needed!

A Moment in Black History

1831

Nat Turner and his guerilla army begin their campaign across Virginia with the intention of freeing all slaves.

