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STANDING UP FOR SMALL BUSINESSES

Small Businesses and the Commercial Rent Tax

The Commercial Rent Tax is a serious burden for small businesses in the heart of Manhattan, driving up costs for business owners already burdened by skyrocketing rents. I have introduced legislation with Council Member Dan Garodnick that will exclude all businesses paying \$500,000 or less in annual rent from paying the Commercial Rent Tax. This will help 4,800 small businesses in Manhattan!

Special Clinics for Small Businesses

Every quarter I host a clinic for our district's small businesses to help them connect with useful resources. Recent events have included:

- A restaurant management boot camp
- A workshop on navigating government programs and regulatory requirements
- A Department of Small Business Services (SBS) presentation on negotiating fair contracts



Legislative Work - Sponsored & Cosponsored Bills

- Int 1510 & 1511: Addresses how the City can assist in the training of small business employees by requiring SBS to create a workforce development plan
- PASSED: Int 0891 - Notifies businesses of 311 complaints made about them
- PASSED: Int 0724 - Creates a small business advocate position in SBS to assist business owners as they work with other government agencies

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