

**SITING OF NEW SANITATION DEPOT A WIN FOR RAVENSWOOD, ENVIRONMENTAL
JUSTICE MOVEMENT**

Siting of new depot in Astoria clears the way for removal of sanitation depot on 21st street

Three years ago, on April 27th, I co-hosted a town hall meeting with the mayor where he promised to allocate over \$130 million to move the old sanitation depot. Today, we make real progress on that goal by officially siting the new depot. While I am thrilled with this victory, the people of Ravenswood Houses fought long and hard to draw attention to the issue at hand - a smelly, unsightly and dangerous facility, right in their backyard. This is a victory for the thousands of people who live in Ravenswood Houses. Carol Wilkins, the President of the Ravenswood Resident Association, fought long and hard to bring attention to this issue of environmental justice. I am glad she did and thrilled to have fought to make today's action possible.

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