



National NYCPD 10-13 Organization, Inc.

Serving Active and Retired NYC Police Officers of All Ranks



Presidents Message November 2025

Hope all is well with you and yours,

The 2025 convention was a great time and well attended. Along with the members and friends that attended the Convention, we had representatives of the Retired Sergeants Association, the Patrolmen's Benevolent Association, and the Barasch & McGarry firm who gave updates on the WTC Funds. This year it was my privilege to recognize two people as our Man of the Year 2025.

The first was **Harvey Katowitz**, President of the **Charlotte 10-13**. Harvey is also an advisor to the National 10-13, and the registrar for new 10-13 clubs. In my tenure, Harvey has assisted three new 10-13 Clubs to fruition. He is always available to help and has been a sounding board for me on many issues.

The second was **John Briganti**, past President of the **Hudson Valley 10-13** and current 1st Vice President of the National 10-13. John is no stranger to service in the fraternal realm and has been one of the Chairmen of our convention for several years.

During many discussions about the convention, we have always wanted to move the convention to the month of August to enhance the opportunity for members to attend with family and enjoy the many activities provided by the Villa Roma.

The sale of the Villa Roma brought us a unique opportunity. During this year's convention, the new owners and staff were available and professional, they embraced us as family and met our needs.

I am happy to announce that we are moving into contract with Villa Roma for our **37th Annual Convention to be held August 16th -18th 2026**.

Legislation for health care protection is still at the forefront of our efforts. We have been working with Marianne Pizzitola and her group, NYC Organization of Public Service Retirees, and other organizations on several fronts.

One being the City Council and intro 1096. This bill would amend the Administrative Code to preserve health care choice for retirees from city service. The bill provides that the City must offer Medicare-eligible City retirees and their Medicare-eligible dependents at least one Medigap plan with benefits equivalent to or better than those available to City retirees and their dependents as of December 31, 2021. The recent election has caused some changes in the City Council, and we are hoping that our efforts will help move Intro 1096 forward into law.

On the State Senate side, NYS Senator Pete Harckham sponsored health protection bill 3607. After pressure from the AFLCIO, Senator Harckham struck the bill on 4/22/25.

On the NYS Assembly side, Assemblywoman Stacey Pheffer-Amato sponsored health protection bill A4639, and it was sent to the Government Employees Committee. Assembly bill A4639 never received a committee vote, despite that Assemblywoman Pheffer-Amato is the Chair of the Government Employees Committee.

As always, as new information becomes available, we will get it out to you. Political action emails will continue to go out for your information and help.

Thank you all for your support. Hope to see you at the convention.

Happy Thanksgiving to You and Yours,

Mike Fahy