



**Mayor's Office for
People with Disabilities**

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Joint Statement from NYC MOPD Commissioner Christina Curry and Offices for People with Disabilities Across the Country on the 35th Anniversary of the ADA

New York – We, the cities comprising the Coalition of Mayor's Offices for People with Disabilities, celebrate the 35th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), a landmark civil rights law that has resulted in greater inclusion and independence for people with disabilities.

While celebrating how very far our nation and cities have come in the past 35 years in including people with disabilities, we acknowledge the attitudinal, structural, and systemic barriers that still stand in the way of full equality and inclusion. As disability advocates within our city governments, we reaffirm our commitment to breaking down those barriers and advancing the ADA's vision of a truly accessible and inclusive society for all.

This joint statement is issued by municipal officials responsible for disability services and advocacy in the following cities: Boston, Cambridge, Chicago, Detroit, Houston, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, San Francisco, and St. Louis.

***** About NYC Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities *****

The Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities (MOPD) has been the liaison between New York City government and the disability community. In partnership with city offices and agencies, MOPD ensures that city initiatives, programs, and policies address the needs and interests of people with disabilities. The office regularly engages in advocacy and policymaking at the local, state, national, and international levels to make sure accessibility and full inclusion are key priorities for all public and private stakeholders alike.

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