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CARLO SCISSURA NAMED PRESIDENT AND CEO OF NEW YORK BUILDING CONGRESS



Carlo A. Scissura, a lifelong New Yorker and veteran of Brooklyn politics, business, and economic development, has been named president and CEO of the New York Building Congress.

He will succeed Richard T. Anderson, who has served as president of the New York Building Congress for the past 23 years. Scissura, who has served as president and CEO of the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce since 2012, will take over on January 1, 2017. At that time, Anderson will assume the title of president emeritus and continue to serve the Building Congress as a consultant.

"Succeeding Dick Anderson, who has been the face of the New York Building Congress for more than two decades, is certainly going to be a challenge, but we are certain that Carlo Scissura is the ideal person to take on this role," said New York Building Congress Chairman Richard Cavallaro. "A veteran of both the public and private sectors, Carlo has devoted his career to spurring economic growth and development in New York City, and his home borough of Brooklyn in particular."

Scissura said, "It is my great honor and privilege to be named president and CEO of the New York Building Congress, one of the most well-respected and influential organizations in the state. The building community is at the center of many of the successes New York has experienced, and it is a driving force behind job creation and a strong economy. As president and CEO, I will work tirelessly to meet the needs of our membership, both private and public, assist in the continued growth of the construction industry, and ensure that the Building Congress remains at the forefront of economic development, policy and legislation in New York and beyond. This organization and its members build New York - from public infrastructure to universities, hospitals and residential and commercial structures - and we will work together to guarantee that all communities benefit from and are a part of the great work of the Building Congress. I am looking forward to a great listening tour with members and partners in the building community, and putting on my 'hard hat' to visit some of the amazing projects that our members are involved in! My deepest thanks to Chairman Richard Cavallaro, Vice Chairman and Search Committee Chair Milo Riverso, current President Richard Anderson, Jack Lusk and the entire Board of Directors."

Under Scissura's leadership, the Brooklyn Chamber's membership has grown by more than 200 percent and is now one of New York's largest business advocacy and economic development organizations, with over 2,100 members. During his tenure, he oversaw the launch of a number of highly innovative and successful initiatives, including Explore Brooklyn, Brooklyn-Made, and Chamber on the Go, and has received substantial new funding from government agencies and private foundations to support the Chamber's work. During this historic period of growth, the Chamber's efforts have been widely recognized as creating national models for business development, outreach and technical assistance and regional branding.