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STATEMENT FROM DOI COMMISSIONER ROSE GILL HEARN

Regarding the arrest of Charles W. Brown, a former property manager with the New York City Housing Authority, and Raymond Williams, a real estate agent. The men were arrested today and charged in Manhattan federal court with theft from a federally-funded program.

"The crimes charged today make manifest the defendants' avarice and disdain for those employed at NYCHA who serve this City honestly and well. These charges also exemplify DOI's ongoing efforts to review commercial leases at NYCHA. In September, a similar DOI investigation ended successfully when Robert Swinton, a former NYCHA manager who pleaded guilty to extorting money from someone who wanted to lease commercial space, was sentenced to a year and a day in jail," said DOI Commissioner Rose Gill Hearn.

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