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**MEDIA ADVISORY: MAYOR’S OFFICE OF IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS AND MAYOR’S
PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT UNIT TO HOST FREE TV EPISODE SCREENING IN
HIGHBRIDGE PARK**

NEW YORK— The Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs (MOIA) and the Mayor’s Public Engagement Unit (PEU) will be hosting a free screening of the We Speak NYC episode “Sofa Love: A Housing Romance,” in honor of Immigrant Heritage Month. We Speak NYC is the city's award-winning curriculum utilized by MOIA’s English Language and Support Centers to help immigrants practice English and learn about their rights. “Sofa Love” focuses on two couples undergoing housing and relationship issues, while providing information on the city’s housing and tenant support resources. All We Speak NYC episodes can be found online at <https://wespeaknyc.cityofnewyork.us/episodes/>.

This screening is in partnership with PEU’s Tenant Support Unit, which provides assistance to New Yorkers who may be experiencing landlord harassment, are at risk of displacement, or need to make home-related repairs. New Yorkers can reach out to a Specialist at the Tenant Support Unit directly by calling 311 and asking for the Tenant Helpline. The Tenant Helpline is a centralized hub where New Yorkers facing a housing-related issue can access information about tenants' rights and get connected to resources to address their needs.

This event will also provide an opportunity to meet city leaders like MOIA Commissioner Manuel Castro and PEU Tenant Support Unit Outreach Director Jasmin Batista. Tenant Support Specialists will also be on-site at the event and available for interviews in English and Spanish.

Media representatives interested in attending must RSVP for the event by using [this form](#) and indicate the outlet they are representing, by Wednesday, June 26th, at 10:00 AM.

WHEN: Wednesday, June 26th, 2024
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

WHO: Commissioner Manuel Castro, Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs (MOIA)
Jasmin Batista, Mayor’s Public Engagement Unit (PEU)

WHERE: CPF Lawn at Highbridge Park (172nd Street and Amsterdam Avenue), New York, NY 10033

Media representatives must register for this screening by using [this form](#). Identification is not required to enter the park.

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