

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY CHARLES J. HYNES JOINS SUNSET PARK
COMMUNITY LEADERS AND LOCAL BUSINESS OWNERS TO INTRODUCE
THE “SAFE STOP” INITIATIVE**



Left to Right: Renee Giordano, Executive Director of the Sunset Park BID; District Attorney Charles Hynes; John Miniaci, Owner of Johnny’s Pizzeria; Marianna Greco, owner of Generoso’s Bakery; Miriam Rodriguez, owner of Miriam’s Flower Shop.

The District Attorney designated Johnny’s Pizzeria at 5806 Fifth Avenue in Sunset Park and other local stores as *Safe Stops* that will provide safe places for people to go in case of an emergency or to get information about crime prevention programs from his office and from the Police Department.

District Attorney Hynes pointed out the program is the brainchild of three Business Improvement District Executives, all of whom were honored by his office as *Extraordinary Women* for their devotion to neighborhood, community and public service.

“We are always looking for ways to make Brooklyn safer. We welcome suggestions from the community,” said Mr. Hynes. “Sometimes people who need help don’t know where to turn. Now, if someone is lost, has a medical emergency, or is a crime victim, they can go into any of these *Safe Stop* locations.”

Merchants will display decals in their store windows identifying them as a designated *Safe Stop* location. They are selected and trained by their BID to learn where to refer people and how to help them. To date, 77 businesses in Brooklyn are participating in the initiative.