



Acting Commissioner Honors Parole Officer After Capture of Times Square Driver

DOCCS' Acting Commissioner, Anthony J. Annucci, recently recognized and awarded a Commissioner's Pin to Senior Parole Officer Alphonso Camacho after his brave actions helped to track down and capture the man who drive into pedestrians in New York City.

During the most recent Parole Officer Graduation ceremony, the acting commissioner took time to honor Camacho for his heroics on May 18th. That day Richard Rojas drove his vehicle into a crowded street of people in Times Square, killing one and injuring dozens of others. Camacho, during his lunch break, was in the area, witnessed the event, and chased down the car and driver helping to subdue him until police arrived.

"Your actions were in the best tradition of those public servants who are an integral part of New York's public protection community. You are a credit to all New York State Parole Officers, who every day, help to ensure that our state is as safe as is reasonably possible for all New Yorkers and for all visitors, who come from around the world to see all that we have to offer," Acting Commissioner Annucci wrote in a letter to Camacho.

To read the letter, [click here](#).