In an effort to meet the demand for testing as COVID-19 cases surge in New York City, Omega Health Urgent Care partnered with Bronx Assemblywoman Yudelka Tapia for district 86, to distribute hundreds of free testing kits and KN95 face mask to residents in the Morris Heights section of the borough on January 28.

The event was held outside of the urgent care center, located at 1 West Burnside Avenue, from 2 pm until supplies last. Testing kits and masks

were distributed on a first come, first serve basis with a limit of two test kits per household. Each kit contains two COVID-19 antigen rapid tests that can produce results in 15 minutes.

Since the onset of the new omicron variant, data has shown that the Bronx has seen some of the highest cases in the city.

"Testing is an essential tool in mitigating the spread of COVID-19," expressed Assemblywoman Yudelka Tapia "By partnering with local community-based organizations and trusted health care providers such as Omega Health Urgent Care, we can ensure that residents in Bronx communities where we see higher COVID-19 positivity rates have access to testing options and proper resources."

In addition to the athome testing kit distribution, Omega Health Urgent Care continues to offer COVID-19 testing services at their location Tuesday-Friday, 12 pm - 8 pm and Saturday and Sunday, 10 am - 6 pm. New



Yorkers can also visit through the U.S. governcovidtests.gov to order 4 ment to have mailed to free COVID-19 test kits their home.



ty service, Bronx mom Rebecca Ramos-Hedgemond, whose now 18-year-old son Elijah was born at 34 weeks and cared for at Weiler Hospital Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, and her Sigma Gamma Rho sorority sisters recently delivered 100 gifts bags to NICU moms and babies at Monteflore and Jacobi. This generous donation was part of Project Cradle Care, a collaboration between Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. and the March of Dimes which aims to have a positive impact on the quality of life for children who are born prematurely and improve pregnancy outcomes in high-risk communities by promoting prenatal education and care.

