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2011 Public Service Award Presented to Steven Cymbrowitz of ASAP
Recognized for leadership and dedication in the substance abuse field

ALBANY, NY – The New York Association of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Providers (ASAP) will present its 2011 Public Service Award to New York State Assemblyman Steven Cymbrowitz (D-Brooklyn) Nov. 2 to recognize his support for substance use disorder prevention, treatment, and recovery programs.

This award was given at ASAP's 13th Annual Conference in Brooklyn.

"New York's treatment providers and their clients deeply appreciate Assemblyman Cymbrowitz's leadership, commitment, and ambitious work to ensure that high quality services are available for people in need throughout New York State," said John Coppola, executive director of ASAP.

"His dedication ensures that who work in substance abuse prevention and treatment, and those they serve, have the appropriate resources and work environment to provide state-of-the-art services."

Assemblyman Cymbrowitz said of the award, "I am most appreciative of this award because it is being presented by an organization that has done so much to combat the problems that result from addictive behavior in New York State. We might have budget concerns, but we must remember that we also have fellow New Yorkers with drug, alcohol and gambling issues."

The ASAP 13th Annual Conference will focus on "Behavioral Healthcare in Transition." Its goal is to give New York's treatment professionals opportunities to discuss challenges, explore new solutions and discuss effective strategies that address common challenges in substance abuse treatment and prevent.