Thomas Fariello is a New York State Registered Architect with 30 years of experience in the fields of architecture and construction. Appointed First Deputy Commissioner in 2011, Tom has been an essential part of the Department’s leadership since 2003, when he became Deputy Borough Commissioner in Brooklyn. He has served as Borough Commissioner in Brooklyn and in the Bronx.

First Deputy Commissioner Fariello’s expertise has contributed to major, defining projects in New York City: he played a key role in Coney Island’s rejuvenation by reviewing and approving applications for the Luna Park re-opening — and he helped bring the new Yankee Stadium to fruition by overseeing DOB’s inspections and sign-offs.

His experience before joining the Department — as a private-sector architect and plan examiner with the New York City School Construction Authority — cultivated his deep understanding of the laws governing construction and the importance of leading this Agency to provide professional, efficient public service.

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