



DORA SCHIRO, CORRECTION COMMISSIONER, BLASTED BY JAIL GUARD UNION

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The union representing correction officers today blasted Correction Commissioner Dora Schiro's management of the city's jail system. In an unusual advertisement published in the New York Daily News, the Correction Officers Benevolent Association accused Schiro of slashing security posts but fattening her staff with civilians making more than \$100,000 a year.

"We're already cut to the bone," the ad states, decorated with the image of a grim reaper with blood on his scythe. "Let Dora explore somewhere else!"

"A New York City Correction Officer will die because of commissioner Dora Schiro's mismanagement of the Department of Correction," the ad continues.

Schiro, the union claims, has cut 200 security posts through attrition, but doubled to 60 the number of high paid bureaucrats. Meanwhile, more correction officers are being assaulted--85 this year to date, and inmate on inmate violence is on the rise. Two weeks ago, an officer suffered a slash wound that required 15 stitches to close. Overall, the jail system is 1,000 officers below the recommended number, the union says.

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