

CITY COUNCIL  
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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

of the

STATED MEETING

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Thursday, January 18, 2024

Start: 2:28 p.m.

Recess: 3:00 p.m.

HELD AT: Council Chambers - City Hall

B E F O R E: Adrienne E. Adams, Speaker  
Amanda Farías, Majority Leader

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Adrienne E. Adams  
Joann Ariola  
Alexa Avilés  
Diana I. Ayala  
Chris Banks  
Joseph C. Borelli  
Erik D. Bottcher  
Justin L. Brannan  
Gale A. Brewer  
Selvena N. Brooks-Powers  
Tiffany Cabán  
David M. Carr  
Carmen N. De La Rosa  
Eric Dinowitz  
Amanda Farías  
Oswald Feliz  
James F. Gennaro  
Jennifer Gutiérrez

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COUNCIL MEMBERS (CONTINUED)

Shahana K. Hanif  
Kamillah Hanks  
Robert F. Holden  
Crystal Hudson  
Rita C. Joseph  
Shekar Krishnan  
Linda Lee  
Farah N. Louis  
Kristy Marmorato  
Christopher Marte  
Darlene Mealy  
Julie Menin  
Francisco P. Moya  
Mercedes Narcisse  
Sandy Nurse  
Chi A. Ossé  
Vickie Paladino  
Keith Powers  
Lincoln Restler  
Kevin C. Riley  
Carlina Rivera  
Yusef Salaam  
Rafael Salamanca, Jr  
Pierina Ana Sanchez  
Lynn C. Schulman  
Althea V. Stevens  
Sandra Ung  
Inna Vernikov  
Nantasha M. Williams  
Julie Won  
Kalman Yeger  
Susan Zhuang

## NEW YORK CITY COUNCIL STATED MEETING

## A P P E A R A N C E S

## INVOCATION DELIVERED BY:

Pastor Michael Walrond, Junior, Senior Pastor at  
First Corinthian Baptist Church, located at 1912  
Adam Clayton Powell Boulevard, New York, N.Y.  
10026

2 SERGEANT LEWIS: Testing, testing, this is the mic  
3 check, this is the mic check on today's Stated  
4 Meeting, it is January 18, 2024 in the Chambers,  
5 recorded by Walter Lewis.

6 SERGEANT AT ARMS: Quiet on the floor, please,  
7 quiet the floor, please! We are ready to begin.  
8 Ladies and gentlemen, at this time, at this time,  
9 please place all electronic devices to vibrate or  
10 silent mode.

11 Madam Majority Leader?

12 MAJORITY LEADER FARIÁS: Good afternoon, and  
13 welcome to the Stated Meeting of January 18, 2024. I  
14 am Majority Leader Amanda Fariás, and I would like to  
15 thank you for joining us. If you would like to follow  
16 along, the agenda for today's meeting is posted on  
17 our website. I'd also like to take a moment to  
18 welcome the public joining us here in the gallery.

19 CITY CLERK: Please join us for the Pledge of  
20 Allegiance.

21 SERGEANT AT ARMS: All rise!

22 ALL: [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE]

23 MAJORITY LEADER FARIÁS: Roll call?

24 CLERK: Council Member Abreu?

25 COUNCIL MEMBER ABREU: Present

2 CLERK: Council Member Ariola?

3 COUNCIL MEMBER ARIOLA: Present

4 CLERK: Council Member Avilés?

5 COUNCIL MEMBER AVILÉS: Presenté

6 CLERK: Council Member Ayala?

7 COUNCIL MEMBER AYALA: Here

8 CLERK: Council Member Banks?

9 COUNCIL MEMBER BANKS: Present

10 CLERK: Council Member Bottcher

11 COUNCIL MEMBER BOTTCHEER: Present

12 CLERK: Council Member Brannan?

13 COUNCIL MEMBER BRANNAN: Here

14 CLERK: Council Member Brewer?

15 COUNCIL MEMBER BREWER: Here

16 CLERK: Council Member Brooks-Powers?

17 COUNCIL MEMBER BROOKS-POWERS: Present

18 CLERK: Council Member Cabán?

19 COUNCIL MEMBER CABÁN: [ABSENT]

20 CLERK: Council Member Carr?

21 COUNCIL MEMBER CARR: Present

22 CLERK: Council Member De La Rosa?

23 COUNCIL MEMBER DE LA ROSA: Here

24 CLERK: Council Member Dinowitz?

25 COUNCIL MEMBER DINOWITZ: Here

2 CLERK: Council Member Feliz?

3 COUNCIL MEMBER FELIZ: Here

4 CLERK: Council Member Gennaro?

5 COUNCIL MEMBER GENNARO: Here

6 CLERK: Council Member Gutiérrez?

7 COUNCIL MEMBER GUTIÉRREZ: Presenté

8 CLERK: Council Member Hanif?

9 COUNCIL MEMBER HANIF: Here

10 CLERK: Council Member Hanks?

11 COUNCIL MEMBER HANKS: Present

12 CLERK: Council Member Holden?

13 COUNCIL MEMBER HOLDEN: Here

14 CLERK: Council Member Hudson?

15 COUNCIL MEMBER HUDSON: Present

16 CLERK: Council Member Joseph?

17 COUNCIL MEMBER JOSEPH: Present

18 CLERK: Council Member Krishnan?

19 COUNCIL MEMBER KRISHNAN: Here

20 CLERK: Council Member Lee?

21 COUNCIL MEMBER LEE: Here

22 CLERK: Council Member Louis?

23 COUNCIL MEMBER LOUIS: Present

24 CLERK: Council Member Marmorato?

25 COUNCIL MEMBER MARMORATO: Present

2 CLERK: Council Member Marte?

3 COUNCIL MEMBER MARTE: Here

4 CLERK: Council Member Mealy?

5 COUNCIL MEMBER MEALY: Here

6 CLERK: Council Member Menin?

7 COUNCIL MEMBER MENIN: Here

8 CLERK: Council Member Moya?

9 COUNCIL MEMBER MOYA: Here

10 CLERK: Council Member Narcisse?

11 COUNCIL MEMBER NARCISSE: Present

12 CLERK: Council Member Nurse?

13 COUNCIL MEMBER NURSE: Here

14 CLERK: Council Member Ossé?

15 COUNCIL MEMBER OSSÉ: Present

16 CLERK: Council Member Paladino?

17 COUNCIL MEMBER PALADINO: [NO MIC] [INAUDIBLE]

18 CLERK: Council Member Powers?

19 COUNCIL MEMBER POWERS: Here

20 CLERK: Council Member Restler?

21 COUNCIL MEMBER RESTLER: Here

22 CLERK: Council Member Riley?

23 COUNCIL MEMBER RILEY: Present

24 CLERK: Council Member Rivera?

25 COUNCIL MEMBER RIVERA: Present

2 CLERK: Council Member Salaam

3 COUNCIL MEMBER SALAAM: Present

4 CLERK: Council Member Salamanca?

5 COUNCIL MEMBER SALAMANCA: Present

6 CLERK: Council Member Sanchez?

7 COUNCIL MEMBER SANCHEZ: Present

8 CLERK: Council Member Schulman?

9 COUNCIL MEMBER SCHULMAN: Here

10 CLERK: Council Member Stevens?

11 COUNCIL MEMBER STEVENS: Here

12 CLERK: Council Member Ung?

13 COUNCIL MEMBER UNG: Present

14 CLERK: Council Member Vernikov?

15 COUNCIL MEMBER VERNIKOV: [NO RESPONSE]

16 CLERK: Council Member Williams?

17 COUNCIL MEMBER WILLIAMS: Present

18 CLERK: Council Member Won?

19 COUNCIL MEMBER WON: Present

20 CLERK: Council Member Yeger?

21 COUNCIL MEMBER YEGER: Here

22 CLERK: Council Member Zhuang?

23 COUNCIL MEMBER ZHUANG: Here

24 CLERK: Council Member Borelli?

25 COUNCIL MEMBER BORELLI: [NO RESPONSE]

2 CLERK: Council Member Farías?

3 COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Present

4 CLERK: Speaker Adams?

5 SPEAKER ADAMS: Present.

6 MAJORITY LEADER FARÍAS: Thank you. We will now  
7 have today's invocation, which will be delivered by  
8 Pastor Michael Walrond, Junior, Senior Pastor at  
9 First Corinthian Baptist Church, located at 1912 Adam  
10 Clayton Powell Boulevard in Manhattan.

11 PASTOR MICHAEL WALROND, JUNIOR: [FEEDBACK]  
12 [INAUDIBLE]... Let us pray. God, we begin this time  
13 together by saying thank you, O God. Thank you for  
14 this day. Thank you for this time. Most of all, O  
15 God, we thank you, because on this day we remember  
16 that your grace is still sufficient; your mercy still  
17 endures, and your love still covers us. So, God, be  
18 with us. Be with us, O God, in a special way for  
19 these times, O God, are tumultuous. For we are in the  
20 moment, O God, where seemingly there is more hate  
21 than there is love, more violence than there is  
22 peace, and, O God, even more fiction than there is  
23 fact. So, God, be with us.

24 Be with this body, O God, as they do the work of  
25 this city of behalf of the people of this city. And,

1 O God, remind them that we need leaders in times like  
2 this; leaders, O God, who do not put political  
3 expediency before the needs of the people; leaders, O  
4 God, who are not so consumed with their own ego that  
5 they forget to honor your people in this city. We  
6 need leaders, O God, who are willing to stand for  
7 justice and righteousness and to honor, O God, even  
8 the least of these among us. So, God, be with these  
9 leaders; be with these servants as they move forward  
10 in this space, in this place, in this season, and in  
11 this time. And more than that, O God, remind them in  
12 these times filled with chaos and, at times, discord  
13 that we need love warriors, love revolutionaries, O  
14 God, who honor the inherent dignity of all of your  
15 children, who do not, O God, put their needs above  
16 the needs of your people, but who take love  
17 seriously, who lead with love, in love, through love,  
18 and for love.

20 So, God, be with this body, and be with this  
21 city, O God, as we seek in our own way to  
22 intentionally be human. Most of all, O God, remind  
23 everyone gathered here today, that life begins to end  
24 the day we remain silent about things that matter. We  
25 love you, God, and it's your name we pray. Amen.

2 MAJORITY LEADER FARIÁS: Thank you. I would now  
3 like to ask Council Member Yusef Salaam to spread the  
4 Invocation on the record.

5 COUNCIL MEMBER SALAAM: Thank you, Pastor Mike. We  
6 belovedly call him Pastor Mike in short in our  
7 community. He's definitely my brother from another  
8 mother, and I'm happy to have you here. Thank you for  
9 that beautiful invocation. FCBC, as we also belovedly  
10 call First Corinthian Baptist Church, is a beautiful  
11 church in Central Harlem. I've been in attendance at  
12 many of their worship services on many occasions, and  
13 I invite you all to come if you have the opportunity  
14 to do so. Pastor Mike delivers beautiful sermons that  
15 fill the soul, that feed the soul.

16 In addition, FCBC has the Dream Center, which  
17 promotes financial literacy, meditation, and other  
18 important programming that enriches the community in  
19 tandem with the Hope Center, which provides  
20 therapeutic services and pushes forward incredibly  
21 important mental health initiatives in our village of  
22 Harlem.

23 Thank you once again, Pastor Mike. And to my  
24 colleagues, I'll see you soon in Harlem. Thank you.

2 MAJORITY LEADER FARIÁS: We will now have the  
3 Adoption of Minutes by Council Member Kamillah Hanks.

4 COUNCIL MEMBER HANKS: Thank you, Madam Majority  
5 Leader. I would like to make a motion that the  
6 minutes of the Stated Meeting of December 20, 2023,  
7 and the Charter Meeting of January 3, 2024 be adopted  
8 as printed. Thank you.

9 MAJORITY LEADER FARIÁS: Messages and Papers from  
10 the Mayor?

11 CLERK: None

12 MAJORITY LEADER FARIÁS: Communications from City,  
13 County and Borough Offices?

14 CLERK: None

15 MAJORITY LEADER FARIÁS: Petitions and  
16 Communications?

17 CLERK: None

18 MAJORITY LEADER FARIÁS: Land Use Call-Ups?

19 CLERK: M 9 through M 11.

20 SPEAKER ADAMS: Coupled on Call-Up Vote. I now ask  
21 that the Clerk take a roll call vote on today's Land  
22 Use Call-Ups.

23 CLERK: Council Member Abreu?

24 COUNCIL MEMBER ABREU: Aye

25 CLERK: Council Member Ariola?

2 COUNCIL MEMBER ARIOLA: Aye

3 CLERK: Council Member Avilés?

4 COUNCIL MEMBER AVILÉS: Aye

5 CLERK: Council Member Ayala?

6 COUNCIL MEMBER AYALA: Aye

7 CLERK: Council Member Banks?

8 COUNCIL MEMBER BANKS: Aye

9 CLERK: Council Member Bottcher

10 COUNCIL MEMBER BOTTCHER: Aye

11 CLERK: Council Member Brannan?

12 COUNCIL MEMBER BRANNAN: Aye

13 CLERK: Council Member Brewer?

14 COUNCIL MEMBER BREWER: Yes

15 CLERK: Council Member Brooks-Powers?

16 COUNCIL MEMBER BROOKS-POWERS: Aye

17 CLERK: Council Member Cabán?

18 COUNCIL MEMBER CABÁN: [ABSENT]

19 CLERK: Council Member Carr?

20 COUNCIL MEMBER CARR: Aye

21 CLERK: Council Member De La Rosa?

22 COUNCIL MEMBER DE LA ROSA: Aye

23 CLERK: Council Member Dinowitz?

24 COUNCIL MEMBER DINOWITZ: Yes

25 CLERK: Council Member Feliz?

2 COUNCIL MEMBER FELIZ: Yes

3 CLERK: Council Member Gennaro?

4 COUNCIL MEMBER GENNARO: Aye

5 CLERK: Council Member Gutiérrez?

6 COUNCIL MEMBER GUTIÉRREZ: Aye

7 CLERK: Council Member Hanif?

8 COUNCIL MEMBER HANIF: Aye

9 CLERK: Council Member Hanks?

10 COUNCIL MEMBER HANKS: Aye

11 CLERK: Council Member Holden?

12 COUNCIL MEMBER HOLDEN: Aye

13 CLERK: Council Member Hudson?

14 COUNCIL MEMBER HUDSON: Aye

15 CLERK: Council Member Joseph?

16 COUNCIL MEMBER JOSEPH: Aye

17 CLERK: Council Member Krishnan?

18 COUNCIL MEMBER KRISHNAN: Aye

19 CLERK: Council Member Lee?

20 COUNCIL MEMBER LEE: Aye

21 CLERK: Council Member Louis?

22 COUNCIL MEMBER LOUIS: Aye

23 CLERK: Council Member Marmorato?

24 COUNCIL MEMBER MARMORATO: Aye

25 CLERK: Council Member Marte?

2 COUNCIL MEMBER MARTE: Aye

3 CLERK: Council Member Mealy?

4 COUNCIL MEMBER MEALY: Aye

5 CLERK: Council Member Menin?

6 COUNCIL MEMBER MENIN: Aye

7 CLERK: Council Member Moya?

8 COUNCIL MEMBER MOYA: Aye

9 CLERK: Thank you.

10 Council Member Narcisse?

11 COUNCIL MEMBER NARCISSE: Aye

12 CLERK: Council Member Nurse?

13 COUNCIL MEMBER NURSE: Aye

14 CLERK: Council Member Ossé?

15 COUNCIL MEMBER OSSÉ: Aye

16 CLERK: Council Member Paladino?

17 COUNCIL MEMBER PALADINO: Aye

18 CLERK: Council Member Powers?

19 COUNCIL MEMBER POWERS: Aye

20 CLERK: Council Member Restler?

21 COUNCIL MEMBER RESTLER: [NO RESPONSE]

22 CLERK: Council Member Riley?

23 COUNCIL MEMBER RILEY: Aye

24 CLERK: Council Member Rivera?

25 COUNCIL MEMBER RIVERA: I vote aye.

2 CLERK: Council Member Salaam?

3 COUNCIL MEMBER SALAAM: Aye

4 CLERK: Council Member Salamanca?

5 COUNCIL MEMBER SALAMANCA: Aye

6 CLERK: Council Member Sanchez?

7 COUNCIL MEMBER SANCHEZ: Aye

8 CLERK: Council Member Schulman?

9 COUNCIL MEMBER SCHULMAN: Aye

10 CLERK: Council Member Stevens?

11 COUNCIL MEMBER STEVENS: Aye

12 CLERK: Council Member Ung?

13 COUNCIL MEMBER UNG: Aye

14 CLERK: Council Member Vernikov?

15 COUNCIL MEMBER VERNIKOV: Aye

16 CLERK: Council Member Williams?

17 COUNCIL MEMBER WILLIAMS: I vote aye.

18 CLERK: Council Member Won?

19 COUNCIL MEMBER WON: Aye

20 CLERK: Council Member Yeger?

21 COUNCIL MEMBER YEGER: Aye

22 CLERK: Council Member Zhuang?

23 COUNCIL MEMBER ZHUANG: Aye

24 CLERK: Council Member Borelli?

25 COUNCIL MEMBER BORELLI: Aye

1 CLERK: Council Member Farías?

2 COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: I vote aye.

3 CLERK: Council Member Restler, Land Use Call-Ups?

4 COUNCIL MEMBER RESTLER: Aye

5 CLERK: Thank you.

6 Speaker Adams?

7 SPEAKER ADAMS: Aye.

8 MAJORITY LEADER FARÍAS: Today's Land Use Call-Ups  
9 are adopted by a vote of 50 in the affirmative and 0  
10 in the negative.  
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12 We will now have Communication from Speaker  
13 Adrienne E. Adams.

14 SPEAKER ADAMS: Thank you, Madam Majority Leader,  
15 and good afternoon, everyone.

16 Before we begin, I want to acknowledge the death  
17 of two residents who died in a fire last week in  
18 Council Member Williams' district, 63-year-old  
19 Richard Jackson, and his mother 86-year-old Doris  
20 Jackson. Our hearts are very heavy from this tragedy,  
21 and Rochdale Village is also praying for their  
22 family.

23 This week we celebrated the life and legacy of  
24 the great Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Junior.  
25 Dr. King called on all of us to work together to

1 usher in a just world that rejects discrimination,  
2 inequality, and poverty. His message inspired people  
3 across the nation and their contributions propelled  
4 the movement that continues to influence the nation.  
5 We each bear the responsibility to advance these  
6 efforts and grow the seeds of progress to bestow upon  
7 future generations. This obligation means we have to  
8 confront longstanding inequities which have been a  
9 focus for this body. From maternal and mental health,  
10 to community safety, and victim services this Council  
11 has taken a comprehensive approach that prioritizes  
12 solutions to the challenges facing New Yorkers.  
13 Although the equitable future we seek may take a  
14 years, and even decades to achieve, every ounce of  
15 progress we secure today will bring us closer as we  
16 struggle for equity and justice.

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18 Next, I want to recognize several holidays that  
19 are important for our city's diverse communities:

20 January 1st was Haitian Independence Day which  
21 commemorates Haiti's liberation from colonial rule in  
22 1804, as the world's first Black-led Republic. To our  
23 members of Haitian descent, and all Haitian New  
24 Yorkers, I hope you had a wonderful Haitian  
25 Independence Day.

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2 January 6th was Three Kings Day, a significant  
3 holiday that is also known as the Feast of Epiphany.  
4 For many New Yorkers, the holiday season does not end  
5 on Christmas but on Three Kings Day where family  
6 members gather to exchange gifts and share meals  
7 together. I hope that everyone who celebrated had a  
8 happy Three Kings Day.

9 January 13th was Korean-American Day which  
10 commemorates the day in 1903 when the first Koreans  
11 arrived in the United States. Our historically  
12 diverse council includes the first two Korean-  
13 American council members in Linda Lee and Julie Won.  
14 We celebrate your historic representation, and we  
15 wish all New Yorkers a happy Korean-American Day.

16 January 15th, is special to me as a sister of  
17 Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated. And this  
18 year, we celebrate 116 years of sisterhood,  
19 scholarship, and service. I'm so proud to be a life  
20 member of Alpha Kappa Alpha. And I am joined with our  
21 own majority leader as a sorority sister in Amanda  
22 Farías. On Monday, we lit up One World Trade Center  
23 in pink and green, a moment that we will always  
24 remember. Happy Founders Day to all of my sorors.  
25

1           On January 22nd, we will observe Roe v. Wade Day,  
2           which marks the anniversary of the landmark Supreme  
3           Court decision that granted us the federally  
4           protected safe and legal abortions. This year would  
5           have been the 51st anniversary of Roe v. Wade, but  
6           with the Supreme Court's actions to overturn *five*  
7           decades of legal precedent, reproductive healthcare  
8           for millions of people is under attack across this  
9           country.  
10          

11          Our women majority Council has prioritized  
12          safeguarding and expanding access to abortion care by  
13          passing the New York City Abortion Rights Act and  
14          investing and unprecedented \$1 million in municipal  
15          funds to support abortion care access for those who  
16          cannot afford it.

17          York City remains a beacon of hope, but we know  
18          more must be done across the country to ensure  
19          everyone can safely and legally access abortions and  
20          reproductive health care.

21          And January 27th is Holocaust Remembrance Day  
22          when we honor the memory of millions of Jewish people  
23          and other victims who were murdered during the  
24          Holocaust. We uplift their memories and do make a  
25          solemn pledge *Never Again*.

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2 Now I want to wish a Happy Birthday to all of our  
3 council members who were born in the month of  
4 January: Council Members Althea Stevens on the 2nd,  
5 [APPLAUSE], Council Member Carlina Rivera on the 3rd,  
6 [APPLAUSE], Council Member Sean Abreu on the 8th  
7 [APPLAUSE], Council Member Francisco Moya on the 9th  
8 [APPLAUSE], Council Member Alexa Avilés on the 15th,  
9 [APPLAUSE] and Council Member Susan Zhuang on the  
10 30th [APPLAUSE]. I also must shoutout that today is  
11 the birthday of my amazing First Deputy Chief of  
12 Staff, Faiza Ali! [APPLAUSE] Happy Birthday, Faiza!

13 I hope that everyone who celebrates their  
14 birthday this month had or will have an amazing  
15 birthday.

16 At our Charter Meeting I announced several  
17 members of the Council's leadership team including  
18 Deputy Speaker Diana Ayala, Majority Leader Amanda  
19 Fariás, and Majority Whip, Selvena Brooks-Powers.

20 Today, I want to announce additional members of  
21 the leadership team including Council Member Justin  
22 Brannan, Council Member Keith Powers, Council Member  
23 Carlina Rivera, Council Member Rafael Salamanca, and  
24 Council Member Sandra Ung. [APPLAUSE]

2 Yeah, it's good, it's good. [APPLAUSE] Together  
3 this group will help guide the Council's efforts to  
4 support members, execute the body's priorities, and  
5 advance solutions to the challenges facing all New  
6 Yorkers.

7 Today we are also announcing the chairs and  
8 members of each committee and subcommittee. Every  
9 decision was made with careful consideration of the  
10 needs of our city and this body's ability to confront  
11 them. I am confident that the members of our  
12 committees will play important roles in carrying out  
13 the Council's charter mandated oversight and  
14 legislative responsibilities at such a critical  
15 moment for our city.

16 Thank you very much, and now I turn back over to  
17 our Majority Leader.

18 MAJORITY LEADER FARIÁS: Thank you, Speaker Adams.  
19 We will now move in to the Discussion of General  
20 Orders. Seeing none we will move to Reports of  
21 Special Committees?

22 CLERK: None.

23 MAJORITY LEADER FARIÁS: Reports of Standing  
24 Committees?

2 CLERK: Report of the Committee on Rules,  
3 Privileges, and Elections Preconsidered Resolutions 1  
4 and 2, Council Committees.

5 SPEAKER ADAMS: Coupled on General Orders. I now  
6 ask that the clerk take a roll call vote on all of  
7 the items coupled on today's General Orders Calendar.

8 CLERK: Council Member Abreu?

9 COUNCIL MEMBER ABREU: Aye

10 CLERK: Council Member Ariola?

11 COUNCIL MEMBER ARIOLA: I vote aye.

12 CLERK: Council Member Avilés?

13 COUNCIL MEMBER AVILÉS: I vote aye.

14 CLERK:

15 Thank you

16 Council Member Ayala?

17 COUNCIL MEMBER AYALA: Aye

18 CLERK: Council Member Banks?

19 COUNCIL MEMBER BANKS: Aye

20 CLERK: Council Member Bottcher?

21 COUNCIL MEMBER BOTTCHEER: Aye

22 CLERK: Council Member Brannan?

23 COUNCIL MEMBER BRANNAN: Aye

24 CLERK: Council Member Brewer?

25 COUNCIL MEMBER BREWER: Aye

2 CLERK: Council Member Brooks-Powers?

3 COUNCIL MEMBER BROOKS-POWERS: Aye

4 CLERK: Council Member Cabán?

5 COUNCIL MEMBER CABÁN: [ABSENT]

6 CLERK: Council Member Carr?

7 COUNCIL MEMBER CARR: Aye

8 CLERK: Council Member De La Rosa?

9 COUNCIL MEMBER DE LA ROSA: Aye

10 CLERK: Council Member Dinowitz?

11 COUNCIL MEMBER DINOWITZ: Aye

12 CLERK: Council Member Feliz?

13 COUNCIL MEMBER FELIZ: Aye

14 CLERK: Council Member Gennaro?

15 COUNCIL MEMBER GENNARO: Aye

16 CLERK: Council Member Gutiérrez?

17 COUNCIL MEMBER GUTIÉRREZ: Aye

18 CLERK: Council Member Hanif?

19 COUNCIL MEMBER HANIF: Aye

20 CLERK: Council Member Hanks?

21 COUNCIL MEMBER HANKS: Aye

22 CLERK: Council Member Holden?

23 COUNCIL MEMBER HOLDEN: Aye

24 CLERK: Council Member Hudson?

25 COUNCIL MEMBER HUDSON: Aye

2 CLERK: Council Member Joseph?

3 COUNCIL MEMBER JOSEPH: Aye

4 CLERK: Council Member Krishnan?

5 COUNCIL MEMBER KRISHNAN: Aye

6 CLERK: Council Member Lee?

7 COUNCIL MEMBER LEE: Aye

8 CLERK: Council Member Louis?

9 COUNCIL MEMBER LOUIS: Aye

10 CLERK: Council Member Marmorato?

11 COUNCIL MEMBER MARMORATO: Aye

12 CLERK: Council Member Marte?

13 COUNCIL MEMBER MARTE: Aye

14 CLERK: Council Member Mealy?

15 COUNCIL MEMBER MEALY: Aye

16 CLERK: Council Member Menin?

17 COUNCIL MEMBER MENIN: Aye

18 CLERK: Council Member Moya?

19 COUNCIL MEMBER MOYA: I vote aye.

20 CLERK: Thank you

21 Council Member Narcisse?

22 COUNCIL MEMBER NARCISSE: Aye

23 CLERK: Council Member Nurse?

24 COUNCIL MEMBER NURSE: I vote aye.

25 CLERK: Council Member Ossé?

2 COUNCIL MEMBER OSSÉ: Aye

3 CLERK: Council Member Paladino?

4 COUNCIL MEMBER PALADINO: Aye

5 CLERK: Council Member Powers?

6 COUNCIL MEMBER POWERS: Aye

7 CLERK: Council Member Restler?

8 COUNCIL MEMBER RESTLER: Aye

9 CLERK: Council Member Riley?

10 COUNCIL MEMBER RILEY: Aye

11 CLERK: Thank you.

12 Council Member Rivera?

13 COUNCIL MEMBER RIVERA: I vote aye.

14 CLERK: Council Member Salaam?

15 COUNCIL MEMBER SALAAM: Aye

16 CLERK: Council Member Salamanca?

17 COUNCIL MEMBER SALAMANCA: Aye

18 CLERK: Council Member Sanchez?

19 COUNCIL MEMBER SANCHEZ: Aye

20 CLERK: Council Member Schulman?

21 COUNCIL MEMBER SCHULMAN: Aye

22 CLERK: Council Member Stevens?

23 COUNCIL MEMBER STEVENS: Aye

24 CLERK: Council Member Ung?

25 COUNCIL MEMBER UNG: Aye

2 CLERK: Council Member Vernikov?

3 COUNCIL MEMBER VERNIKOV: Aye

4 CLERK: Council Member Williams?

5 COUNCIL MEMBER WILLIAMS: Aye

6 CLERK: Council Member Won?

7 COUNCIL MEMBER WON: Aye

8 CLERK: Council Member Yeger?

9 COUNCIL MEMBER YEGER: [NO RESPONSE]

10 CLERK: Council Member Zhuang?

11 COUNCIL MEMBER ZHUANG: Aye

12 CLERK: Council Member Borelli?

13 COUNCIL MEMBER BORELLI: Aye

14 CLERK: Council Member Farías?

15 COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: I vote aye.

16 CLERK: Council Member Yeger?

17 COUNCIL MEMBER YEGER: [NO RESPONSE]

18 CLERK: Speaker Adams?

19 SPEAKER ADAMS: I vote aye.

20 MAJORITY LEADER FARÍAS: All items on today's

21 General Order Calendar are adopted by a vote of 49 in

22 the affirmative, 0 in the negative, and 0

23 abstentions.

24 Introduction and Reading of Bills?

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2 SPEAKER ADAMS: All bills have been referred to  
3 committees as indicated on today's Agenda.

4 MAJORITY LEADER FARIÁS: Thank you.

5 There are no resolutions on today's calendar, so  
6 we will now move in to General Discussion. First up  
7 is Council Member Marte, followed by Council Member  
8 Ossé.

9 COUNCIL MEMBER MARTE: Good afternoon, my  
10 colleagues [LAUGHTER], there's a lot of power where  
11 one resides, and I'm so honored to be in the seat -  
12 in the thrown! - of the Charles Barron, [APPLAUSE] a  
13 person, a seat, that represented the fight for true  
14 affordable housing, for civil rights, and equal  
15 justice, someone who served for the people of New  
16 York City. And, so, yes, I may not be Charles Barron,  
17 but I want to thank whoever thought that I can live  
18 up to his potential. [LAUGHTER] So, thank you all,  
19 and I'm ready for the next two years.

20 [LAUGHTER]

21 MAJORITY LEADER FARIÁS: Okay, simmer down,  
22 Council Member Marte. [LAUGHTER] Council Member Ossé?

23 COUNCIL MEMBER OSSÉ: Thank you, I really cannot  
24 beat that. I'm sorry to bring the note down a little  
25 bit. But, I do want to speak about a constituent who

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2 passed in my district and a hero that we lost not  
3 only within the city but within the state. Dr. John  
4 Flateau, who many of you know, especially after this  
5 past redistricting, was a good man and a great man,  
6 but much more than leading the Redistricting  
7 Commission, he was a constituent, partner, an  
8 advisor, and a friend. Perhaps most importantly what  
9 set Dr. Flateau apart is that he truly was committed  
10 to the success of his community, his city, and his  
11 people - Black people across the diaspora. This body  
12 recognized the former member, the late Al Vann, last  
13 year; Dr. Flateau worked for and closely with him,  
14 along with New York's first Black mayor, David  
15 Dinkins. And whenever there has been Black greatness  
16 in Brooklyn, Dr. Flateau's influence was never far  
17 away. Much of the equity we have achieved, and even  
18 what is yet to come, is thanks in large part to Dr.  
19 Flateau. I and all of Brooklyn am so very sorry to  
20 have lost him, and I extend my deepest condolences to  
21 his family.

22 MAJORITY LEADER FARIAS: Seeing no other members  
23 signed up for General Discussion, I will now call on  
24 Speaker Adrienne Adams to close today's Stated  
25 Meeting.

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SPEAKER ADAMS: Thank you, Madam Majority Leader.  
The Stated Meeting of January 18, 2024 is hereby  
adjourned.

[APPLAUSE]

[GAVEL SOUND] [GAVELING OUT]

C E R T I F I C A T E

World Wide Dictation certifies that the foregoing transcript is a true and accurate record of the proceedings. We further certify that there is no relation to any of the parties to this action by blood or marriage, and that there is interest in the outcome of this matter.



Date January 23, 2024