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By Council Members Comrie, James, Liu, Mark-Viverito, Palma, Barron, Reyna and Yassky

Whereas, Eminent domain is an important tool for government to use for public projects; and

Whereas, The powers of eminent domain may be used by a public authority or a public benefit corporation; and

Whereas, Such authority or corporation may not be subject to the same public scrutiny as a state agency, and may have limited accountability to the local community; and

Whereas, The use of eminent domain should be scrutinized by local elected officials who understand the magnitude of the impacts on the community; and

Whereas, To promote these goals, this legislation would require that in a city with a population of one

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million or more and in which any part of the real property to be acquired by the exercise of eminent domain by a public authority or a public benefit corporation is located, the city council shall have the authority to approve

or disapprove such use of eminent domain, by a majority vote, following at least one public hearing on such

matter at a location reasonably proximate to the property; now, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York supports New York State Senate Bill S 4769 which

would

.0amend the public authorities law, in relation to providing cities with a population of one million or

more a greater role in the use by public authorities of eminent domain within their borders.

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