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A Local Law to amend the New York city charter, in relation to measuring and addressing gender and racial inequality in New York City.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Section 16 of the New York city charter is amended to read as follows:

\$16 Report on social indicators and gender and racial inequality. The mayor shall submit an annual report to the council, borough presidents, and community boards analyzing the social, economic and environmental health of, and equality and equity between the genders and races within the city, and proposing strategies for addressing the issues raised in such analysis. The report shall present and analyze data on the social, economic and environmental conditions, and any gender and racial inequalities within such conditions, which are significantly related to the jurisdiction of the agencies responsible for the services specified in section twenty seven hundred four, the health and hospitals corporation, and such other agencies as the mayor shall from time to time specify. The report shall include the generally accepted indices of unemployment, poverty, child welfare, housing quality, homelessness, health, physical environment, crime, and such other indices as the mayor shall require by executive order or the council shall require by local law, and the gender and racial inequality within all such indices. Such report shall be submitted no later than sixty days before the community boards are required to submit budget priorities pursuant to section two hundred thirty and shall contain: (1) the reasonably available statistical data, for the current and previous five years, on such conditions in the city and, where possible, in its subdivisions; and a comparison of this data by gender and racial group, and with such relevant national, regional or other standards or averages as the mayor deems appropriate; (2) a narrative

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discussion of the differences <u>and the inequities</u> in such conditions <u>by gender</u> and among the subdivisions <u>and</u> <u>racial groups</u> of the city, and of the changes over time in such conditions; and (3) the mayor's short and long term plans, organized by agency or by issue, for responding to the significant problems <u>and inequalities</u> evidenced by the data presented in the report.

§2. This local law shall take effect immediately upon its enactment.

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