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A Local Law to amend the New York city charter, in relation to creating a historic and cultural marker program

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 1 of the New York city charter is amended by adding a new section 20-d to read as follows:

§ 20-d. Historic and cultural marker program. a. For the purposes of this section, the term “marker” shall mean a visual indicator, such as a sign or plaque, to commemorate a person, place, or event.

b. Not later than December 1, 2018, the mayor shall create a historic and cultural marker program. The mayor shall determine which agency shall be responsible for developing, implementing, and overseeing the program. The program would:

1. Commemorate important people, places and events significant to New York City’s history and identity through historic and cultural markers;

2. Provide interpretive, interactive, and online materials to educate New York City residents and visitors about a diverse range of cultural and historic sites; and

3. Provide a searchable online database on an official website of the city accessible to the public that shall include a list of all historic and cultural markers.

c. The mayor or, as designated by the mayor, an office of the mayor or any department the head of which is appointed by the mayor shall create a process by which a member of the public may submit a proposal for a historic or cultural marker.

§2. This local law takes effect immediately after it becomes law.

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