

New York City Council

Memorandum in Support of Legislation

This memorandum is authored by the sponsor and explains the need for the legislation referenced below, in accordance with Rule 6.00(d) of the Rules of the Council.

Introduction Number:

Int. No. 1021-2024

Prime Sponsors:

Council Member Amanda Farías

Bill Title:

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the suspension of alternate side parking regulations on Patriot Day

Submitted by:

Council Member Amanda Farías

Justification:

New York City suspends alternate side parking on holidays such as Christmas, Yom Kippur, Diwali, and Eid al-Fitr to honor the diverse cultural and religious traditions that make our city great. This bill extends that same respect to Patriot Day, September 11th, as a way to honor and remember the sacrifices made by essential workers, public servants, emergency services personnel, and everyday New Yorkers whose lives were forever changed that tragic day. By suspending alternate side parking on this solemn day, we enable families and communities to gather, reflect, and pay tribute without the added burden of parking enforcement or traffic disruptions. Especially so, since remembrances take place across the city, and so many thousands of individuals journey to this city's hallowed memorial grounds to bow their heads in grief for the tragedy that befell New York City. This measure ensures our parking rules reflect the values of all New Yorkers, making it easier for residents to observe important days without added stress, and allowing individuals to focus on their grieving and remembrance of those who died.