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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE
AND LABOR

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December 17, 2013

Start: 1:00 p.m.

Recess: 1:05 p.m.

HELD AT: Committee Room
City Hall

B E F O R E: Michael C. Nelson
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

James F. Gennaro
Melissa Mark-Viverito
Eric A. Ulrich

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CHAIRPERSON NELSON: Good afternoon and thank you for coming. My name is Councilman Mike Nelson. I'm the Chair of the Committee on Civil Service and Labor. This is my last meeting as Chair of this committee or any council meeting committee. It truly has been an honor to serve on and as Chair of this committee. Not to count tomorrow's council meeting by the way, I mean Thursdays.

Today we're voting upon a bill and a resolution. Proposed Introduction 1208-A, a local law to amend the Administrative Code of the City of New York in relation to the provision of sick time earned by employees. This Bill makes three technical fixes to the Earned Sick Time Act, Local Law 46 of 2013, which this council passed in May.

Paid sick time was the most significant accomplishments of this committee and indeed one of the most important pieces of legislation passed in this entire council session. So it is appropriate that we end with an amendment to make the law better. We're also voting upon Resolution No. 1741, which calls upon the U.S. Department of Labor to assume the cost of all Hurricane Sandy related

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unemployment claims through the Federal Disaster Unemployment Assistance Program and the New York State Department of Labor to exempt businesses from paying unemployment claims due to Hurricane Sandy and all future disasters.

We've been joined by Council Member Melissa Mark-Viverito, Eric Ulrich. And I finally -- I'd like to thank the committee staff, Matt Carlin to my right, Counsel, Peter Drivas [phonetic] our policy analyst. We can now proceed to the vote. Is Billy?

MR. CARLIN: Okay. We're doing the vote of introduction 1208A. Nelson.

COUNCIL MEMBER NELSON: Aye.

MR. CARLIN: Mark-Viverito.

COUNCIL MEMBER MARK-VIVERITO: I vote aye.

MR. CARLIN: Ulrich.

COUNCIL MEMBER ULRICH: Mr. Chairman, I vote aye and I want to comment you for a fine job you've done leading this committee and for your service to the people of the City of New York. I want to thank you.

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CHAIR NELSON: Thank you very much,
Eric. I really appreciate that.

MR. CARLIN: And now we're voting on
Resolution 1741 of 2113. Nelson.

CHAIRMAN NELSON: Aye.

MR. CARLIN: Mark-Viverito.

COUNCIL MEMBER MARK-VIVERITO: I vote
aye. I also want to add my thoughts to you.

CHAIRMAN NELSON: Thank you, thank you,
Melissa. Thank you. I hope to see you around the
council the next four years.

MR. CARLIN: Ulrich.

COUNCIL MEMBER ULRICH: Vote aye.

CHAIRMAN NELSON: And Council Member
James Gennaro who I know is across the street
voting in his own committee that he chairs,
Environmental Protection can also vote.

MR. CARLIN: On Intro 1208A.

COUNCIL MEMBER GENNARO: Yes.

MR. CARLIN: And on resolution 1741.

CHAIRMAN GENNARO: Yes.

CHAIRMAN NELSON: We will leave the
vote open for one half hour. Thank you all. It
has been mostly a pleasure. Thank you.

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[Gavel]

MR. CARLIN: The final tally on both items is four in the affirmative, zero in the negative and zero abstentions. Both items are adopted. And this hearing is adjourned.

[Gavel]

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World Wide Dictation certifies that the foregoing transcript is a true and accurate record of the proceedings. I further certify that I am not related to any of the parties to this action by blood or marriage, and that I am in no way interested in the outcome of this matter.



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