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Of the

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November 12, 2025
Start: 11:18 a.m.
Recess: 11:24 a.m.

HELD AT: 250 BROADWAY - 8TH FLOOR - HEARING
ROOM 3

B E F O R E: Erik D. Bottcher, Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

David M. Carr
Crystal Hudson
Farrah N. Louis
Chi A. Ossé
Sandra Ung
Nantasha M. Williams

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SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Good morning and
welcome to the New York City Council vote of the
Committee on Cultural Affairs, Libraries and
Intergroup Organizations.

At this time, can everybody please
silence your cell phones.

And at this time, no one is to approach
the dais.

Chair, we are ready to begin.

CHAIRPERSON BOTTCHER: [GAVEL] Good
morning. I am Council Member Eric Bottcher, Chair of
the Committee on Cultural Affairs, Libraries and
Intergroup Relations.

Today, the Committee will hear and vote
on Pre-Considered Resolution sponsored by the
Speaker, Council Member Adrienne Adams, which would
declare the first Monday of November as Black
Solidarity Day in the City of New York, and on a Pre-
Considered Resolution sponsored by the City and
Council Member Amanda Fariás, which would declare
January 15th as Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority
Incorporated Day in the City of in recognition of the
sorority's enduring service, scholarship, and
positive impact on families and communities. These

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resolutions memorialize commemorative days that
remind us all of important facets of the Black
experience in New York City and of milestones in the
history of our Black communities.

I would like to thank my team in District
3, as well as the Committee Staff who worked on
preparing this legislation, including Christina
Yellamaty, the Committee's Counsel; Regina Paul, the
Committee's Senior Policy Analyst, who also drafted
both Resolutions; and Sandra Gray, the Committee's
Financial Analyst.

If there's no public testimony, we are
ready for the vote.

COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Good
morning. William Martin, Committee Clerk, Roll Call
Vote, Committee on Cultural Affairs, Libraries and
International Intergroup Organizations. Both items
are coupled.

Chair Bottcher.

CHAIRPERSON BOTTCHER: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Louis.

COUNCIL MEMBER LOUIS: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Hanif.
Hanks. Hudson.

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COUNCIL MEMBER HUDSON: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Ossé.

COUNCIL MEMBER OSSÉ: I vote aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Ung.

COUNCIL MEMBER UNG: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Williams.

COUNCIL MEMBER WILLIAMS: I vote aye, but
for the record, I'd like to state that Delta Sigma
Theta Sorority Incorporated was the first to do such
of a resolution, but shout-outs to the AKAs, and I
vote aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Carr.

COUNCIL MEMBER CARR: No on Pre-Considered
Resolution 1133, and aye on the other.

COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Thank
you. Following results. Pre-Considered Resolution
1133 has been adopted by the Committee... Apologies.
Resolution 1133 has been adopted by the Committee
with six in the affirmative, one in the negative, and
no abstentions; and Pre-Considered Resolution 1134
has been adopted by the Committee, with seven in the
affirmative, one in the negative, and no abstentions.

CHAIRPERSON BOTTCHEER: Hearing adjourned.

Excuse me, vote.

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COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN:

Apologies. William Martin, Committee Clerk. Vote
correction, revision on Committee of Cultural
Affairs. The Preconsidered Resolution 1133 was
adopted by the Committee with six in the affirmative,
one in the negative, no abstentions; and
Preconsidered Resolution 1134 adopted with seven in
the affirmative, zero in the negative, no
abstentions. Thank you.

Council Member Bottcher to close.

C E R T I F I C A T E

World Wide Dictation certifies that the foregoing transcript is a true and accurate record of the proceedings. We further certify that there is no relation to any of the parties to this action by blood or marriage, and that there is interest in the outcome of this matter.



Date November 25, 2025