

CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON CULTURAL AFFAIRS,  
LIBRARIES AND INTERNATIONAL  
INTERGROUP RELATIONS

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December 16, 2014  
Start: 1:00 p.m.  
Recess: 1:47 p.m.

HELD AT: Committee Room - City Hall

B E F O R E: James G. Van Bramer  
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:  
Elizabeth S. Crowley  
Julissa Ferreras  
Peter A. Koo  
Stephen T. Levin  
Andy L. King  
Costa G. Constantinides  
Laurie A. Cumbo  
Helen K. Rosenthal

2 CHAIRPERSON VAN BRAMER: Alright. Yes,  
3 thank you. Good afternoon everybody and welcome to  
4 the hearing on Cultural Affairs, Libraries,  
5 International Group Relations Committee. We are here  
6 to take up a very important resolution that is  
7 sponsored by Council Member Peter Koo, which is  
8 Resolution 417 that calls on the city recognize and  
9 commemorate January 13<sup>th</sup> as Korean-American Day in  
10 the City of New York, and we had a very, very  
11 interesting and important hearing on this matter. We  
12 thank Council Member Koo for bringing this to the  
13 Council's attention, and before we take a vote of the  
14 Council Members on the committee, I want to ask  
15 Council Member Koo if he'd like to say anything about  
16 this resolution? Okay.

17 COUNCIL MEMBER KOO: I want to thank the  
18 Chairman and the staff and everyone on the committee  
19 to passing these resolution and make Korean-Americans  
20 happy, you know? Thank you very much.

21 CHAIRPERSON VAN BRAMER: Thank you very  
22 much, Council Member Koo. And needless to say, we  
23 value all New Yorkers and are pleased to celebrate  
24 the contributions of Koreans and Korean-Americans in  
25 the City of New York, and so with that, we will call

2 the roll, and needless to say in the presence of  
3 Corey Johnson, Council Member Corey Johnson, I  
4 recommend a yes vote on this very important  
5 resolution brought to us by Council Member Peter Koo.

6 COUNCIL CLERK: William Martin, Committee  
7 Clerk, roll call vote Committee on Cultural Affairs,  
8 Resolution 417. Chair Van Bramer?

9 CHAIRPERSON VAN BRAMER: I vote aye.

10 COUNCIL CLERK: Crowley?

11 COUNCIL MEMBER CROWLEY: I vote aye.

12 COUNCIL CLERK: Koo?

13 COUNCIL MEMBER KOO: Aye.

14 COUNCIL CLERK: Constantinides?

15 COUNCIL MEMBER CONSTANTINIDES: Aye.

16 COUNCIL CLERK: Rosenthal?

17 COUNCIL MEMBER ROSENTHAL: Aye.

18 COUNCIL CLERK: By a vote of 5 in the  
19 affirmative, 0 in the negative and no abstentions,  
20 item has been adopted.

21 CHAIRPERSON VAN BRAMER: And we know that  
22 Council Member Cumbo is across in the chambers, so  
23 we'll hold this open for another 15 minutes so we can  
24 get other Council Members to vote, and I know that if  
25 Council Member Johnson were on the committee he would

2 be voting yes as well, but he'll get that opportunity  
3 tomorrow. So with that, thank you to all the members  
4 who were present, and we will adjourn but leave open  
5 the vote for another 15 minutes. Thank you very  
6 much.

7 COUNCIL MEMBER CUMBO: I'm ready.

8 COUNCIL CLERK: Council Member Cumbo?

9 COUNCIL MEMBER CUMBO: I vote aye on  
10 Resolution Number 417, a resolution recognizing and  
11 commemorating January 13<sup>th</sup> as Korean-American Day in  
12 the City of New York.

13 COUNCIL CLERK: Final vote in Committee  
14 on Cultural Affairs on Resolution 417 is now 6 in the  
15 affirmative, 0 in the negative and no abstentions.

16 COUNCIL MEMBER CUMBO: High five on that.

17 CHAIRPERSON VAN BRAMER: So we're going  
18 to hold open the vote of the Cultural Affairs,  
19 Libraries and International Intergroup Relations  
20 Committee indefinitely until we have the Health  
21 Committee vote, and then after the last vote we will  
22 adjourn this meeting.

23 COUNCIL CLERK: Continuation roll call,  
24 Committee on Cultural Affairs Resolution 417, Council  
25 Member Levin?

2 COUNCIL MEMBER LEVIN: Aye on all.

3 COUNCIL CLERK: Final vote now on Reso  
4 417 is 7 in the affirmative, 0 in the negative and no  
5 abstentions.

6 CHAIRPERSON VAN BRAMER: The meeting on  
7 Cultural Affairs is adjourned.

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Date December 28, 2014