

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

of the

COMMITTEE ON CULTURAL AFFAIRS

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February 14, 2011

Start: 10:18am

Recess: 11:05am

HELD AT: Committee Room - 16th Floor
250 Broadway

B E F O R E:

JAMES G. VAN BRAMER
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Leroy G. Comrie, Jr.

Elizabeth Crowley

Inez E. Dickens

Daniel Dromm

Jessica S. Lappin

Domenic M. Recchia, Jr.

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COMMITTEE ON CULTURAL AFFAIRS

CHAIRPERSON VAN BRAMER: Good morning, my name is Jimmy Van Bramer, and I'm Chair of the Committee on Cultural Affairs, Libraries and International Intergroup Relations. This morning we are voting on Proposed Reso 626A, and with that, can we call the roll?

COMMITTEE CLERK: Kevin Finn, Committee Clerk. Roll call on the Committee on Cultural Affairs, Libraries and International Intergroup Relations. Council Member Van Bramer.

CHAIRPERSON VAN BRAMER: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Comrie.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMRIE, JR.: I want to thank the Chair for including Guam and Washington, D.C. into the proposal to make sure they get the same rights as Puerto Rico had, so that they could be again voting on the committee as a whole. I want to thank you for adopting my suggestion. Aye on all.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Lappin.

COUNCIL MEMBER LAPPIN: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Dromm.

COUNCIL MEMBER DROMM: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: By a vote of four

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2 in the affirmative, zero in the negative and no
3 abstentions, all items have been adopted.

4 Members, please sign the Committee reports.

5 CHAIRPERSON VAN BRAMER: Thank you,
6 and we will keep the vote open for fifteen minutes
7 for other members. Thank you.

8 COMMITTEE CLERK: Dickens.

9 COUNCIL MEMBER DICKENS: Permission
10 to explain my vote? I vote aye on this with great
11 pleasure. I thank Council Member Melissa Mark-
12 Viverito for amending her original resolution to
13 be inclusive of the District of Columbia, because
14 of the fact that the voting, or the lack of being
15 able to vote in Congress, impacts upon so many
16 people from Guam, from the District of Columbia,
17 as well as Puerto Rico. So I thank the Council
18 Member and I vote aye.

19 COUNCIL MEMBER COMRIE, JR.: The
20 new tally is five in the affirmative, zero in the
21 negative, we're still holding the ... still holding
22 it open for a few members that are on their way.

23 COMMITTEE CLERK: Crowley.

24 COUNCIL MEMBER CROWLEY: I vote
25 aye.

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2 COMMITTEE CLERK: The vote stands
3 at six in the affirmative, zero in the negative
4 and no abstentions. Recchia.

5 COUNCIL MEMBER RECCHIA, JR.: Aye
6 on all.

7 COMMITTEE CLERK: The vote stands
8 at seven in the affirmative, zero in the negative
9 and no abstentions.

10 CHAIRPERSON VAN BRAMER: I want to
11 thank everyone for coming to the hearing today,
12 and this will close the hearing.

C E R T I F I C A T E

I, Richard A. Ziats, certify 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.



Signature _____

Date February 17, 2011