

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

of the

COMMITTEE ON YOUTH SERVICES

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March 19, 2013
Start: 2:14 p.m.
Recess: 2:38 p.m.

HELD AT: Council Chambers
City Hall

B E F O R E:
Lewis Fidler
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Council Member Fernando Cabrera
Council Member Sara Gonzales
Council Member Melissa Mark-Viverito
Council Member Ydanis Rodriguez
Council Member Donovan Richards
Council Member Peter Koo
Council Member Darlene Mealy
Council Member Jumaane Williams

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2 CHAIRPERSON FIDLER: Cabrera wants
3 to know that you, wants you to know you wasted his
4 time. And yet we shouldn't be picking on
5 Councilman Mark-Viverito since there are so many
6 of our other colleagues who are not yet here.

7 Okay, good morning everybody, or
8 good afternoon everybody. This is the Committee
9 on Youth Services. I am chairman of the committee
10 Lew Fidler. We are joined by Council Members
11 Cabrera, Gonzales, Mark-Viverito, Rodriguez and
12 his lovely addition, and our newest member Donovan
13 Richards. Councilman Richards is the newest trend
14 of all the new Council Members joining the youth
15 service committee; because we're actually, when we
16 actually are in session, a very happening place.
17 There you go. You feel youthful.

18 Today we will vote on proposed
19 intro number 866(a), a local law in relation to
20 the reporting of data regarding sexually exploited
21 children.

22 Every day in our city young people
23 are forced to sell their bodies, souls and dignity
24 for money, food, clothing or a place to stay.
25 More often than not these children have been

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2 abused or abandoned by their families and then go
3 on to face violence and humiliation on our city
4 streets.

5 It is important for us as a city to
6 meet the needs of young people who have been the
7 victims of sexual exploitation. Proposed intro
8 number 866(a) represents a step towards
9 determining the number and type of services needed
10 to meet such, necessary to meet such needs.

11 This legislation will require DYCD
12 and ACS to report on the number of youth and
13 contact with other agency who have been victims of
14 sexual exploitation, this aggregated by age,
15 gender and by whether the child had contact with
16 ACS, DYCD or both.

17 The agencies would have to report
18 on beds and services which are available to this
19 population.

20 It is my hope that proposed intro
21 number 866(a) will help us to improve the lives of
22 the young people who have been victims of sexual
23 exploitation in our city. And as such, I would
24 encourage my colleagues to vote yes on this intro
25 and I ask the clerk to call the roll.

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COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: William
Martin, Committee Clerk. Roll call vote Committee
on Youth Services. Introduction 866(a). Council
Member Fidler.

COUNCIL MEMBER FIDLER: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Gonzales.

COUNCIL MEMBER GONZALES: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Mark-
Viverito

COUNCIL MEMBER MARK-VIVERITO: I
vote aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Rodriguez.

COUNCIL MEMBER RODRIGUEZ: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Cabrera.

COUNCIL MEMBER CABRERA: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Richards.

COUNCIL MEMBER RICHARDS: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: By a vote
of six in the affirmative, zero in the negative
and no abstention, item is adopted. Members
please send the committee report.

CHAIRPERSON FIDLER: We will hold
the roll open for as long as we can.

[Pause]

COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN:

Continuation of roll call Committee on Youth Services. Council Member Koo.

COUNCIL MEMBER KOO: I vote yes.

COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: The vote now currently stands at seven in the affirmative. Council Member Mealy.

COUNCIL MEMBER MEALY: I vote aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: The final vote on committee in Youth Services is now eight in the affirmative, zero on the negative and no abstentions.

COUNCIL MEMBER: Youth committee meeting is now adjourned.

COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Committee on Youth Services reopening roll call vote. Council Member Williams.

COUNCIL MEMBER WILLIAMS: I vote aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: The final vote on Committee in Youth Services is nine in the affirmative, zero in the negative and no abstentions.

C E R T I F I C A T E

I, Daniel Louk 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

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Daniel Louk", written over a horizontal line.

Date 4/2/2013