

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

of the

COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND BUILDINGS

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October 7, 2008
Start: 11:00am
Recess: N/A

HELD AT: Council Chambers
City Hall

B E F O R E: ERIK MARTIN DILAN
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:
Joel Rivera
Tony Avella
Maria Baez
Leroy G. Comrie, Jr.
Lewis A. Fidler
James Vacca
Thomas White, Jr.
James S. Oddo
Robert Jackson
Rosie Mendez

2 CHAIRPERSON DILAN: Good morning,
3 everybody, I'd like to call this committee hearing
4 to order. My name is Erik Martin Dilan, I'm the
5 Chair of the Housing and Buildings Committee.
6 Today the Committee will be considering Intro 823
7 for the purposes of a vote. Intro 823 is a law
8 that would amend the administrative code of the
9 city of New York in relation to tax abatement and
10 exemption for multiple dwellings. Intro 823 would
11 specifically permit Penn South houses located in
12 the speaker's district to obtain J-51 tax benefits
13 if that development continues to remain a limited
14 equity cooperatives. The main reason for this
15 change is because this will allow buildings with
16 the assessed evaluation exceeding 40,000 in this
17 instance to remain in this program if they remain
18 a limited, a liability cooperative. We did
19 similar legislation in the past for the Mitchell-
20 Lamas and I'd like to ask all of my colleagues to
21 vote Aye in this measure and, with that, I'd like
22 to ask the clerk to call the roll.

23 CLERK: Introduction 823, council
24 member Dilan.

25 COUNCIL MEMBER DILAN: I vote aye.

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CLERK: Rivera.

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COUNCIL MEMBER RIVERA: I vote aye.

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CLERK: Avella.

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COUNCIL MEMBER AVELLA: Aye.

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CLERK: Baez.

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COUNCIL MEMBER BAEZ: Aye.

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CLERK: Comrie.

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COUNCIL MEMBER COMRIE: Aye.

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CLERK: Fidler.

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COUNCIL MEMBER FIDLER: Yes.

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CLERK: Vacca.

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COUNCIL MEMBER VACCA: Aye.

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CLERK: White.

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COUNCIL MEMBER WHITE: Aye.

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CLERK: By a vote of eight in the

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affirmative, zero in the negative and no

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abstentions, item is adopted.

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COUNCIL MEMBER DILAN: Okay. And we

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will leave the vote open for as long as the rules

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allow, to allow some members who are in other

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meetings and potentially leadership meeting to

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vote in this matter.

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[Pause]

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CLERK: Council member Oddo.

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2 COUNCIL MEMBER ODDO: Yes, thank
3 you.

4 [Pause]

5 CLERK: Current vote on the
6 Committee on Housing and Buildings is nine in the
7 affirmative, zero in the negative, and zero
8 abstentions.

9 [Pause]

10 CLERK: Council member Jackson.

11 COUNCIL MEMBER JACKSON: I vote aye
12 on all.

13 CLERK: Council member Mendez.

14 COUNCIL MEMBER MENDEZ: I vote aye
15 on all.

16 CLERK: Final vote on the Committee
17 on Housing and Buildings now stands at 11 in the
18 affirmative, 0 in the negative and 0 abstentions.

19 [Pause]

20 [Off mic]

21 COUNCIL MEMBER DILAN: That will
22 adjourn the Committee on Housing and Buildings.
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C E R T I F I C A T E

I, Tammy Wittman, 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_ Tammy Wittman _____

Date October 16, 2008 _____