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CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

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February 25, 2020

Start: 10:26 AM

Recess: 10:40 AM

HELD AT: Committee Room -City Hall

B E F O R E: DONOVAN J. RICHARDS
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS: Adrienne E. Adams
Justin L. Brannan
Fernando Cabrera
Andrew Cohen
Chaim M. Deutsch
Vanessa L. Gibson
Rory I. Lancman
Carlos Menchaca
I Daneek Miller
Keith Powers
Ydanis A. Rodriguez
Paul A. Vallone

A P P E A R A N C E S (CONTINUED)

2 (sound test) (pause) (gavel)

3 CHAIRPERSON RICHARDS: Good morning. I'm
4 Donovan Richards from the 31st District in Queens,
5 and I'm the Chair of the Committee on Public Safety,
6 and this morning we're joined by Council Members
7 Vallone, Brannan, Deutsch, Powers, Adams, Lancman.

8 MALE SPEAKER: (off mic) Cohen is here.

9 CHAIRPERSON RICHARDS: Oh, and Cohen is
10 standing up. Sorry. (laughs) Feel at home. Sit
11 there and for a little while. Alrighty. Today we're
12 holding a vote on Introduction 1847 in relation to
13 individualized response to violent hate crimes
14 sponsored by Council Member Treyger who couldn't join
15 us this morning. The Committee heard this bill just
16 a few weeks ago, and I am pleased that the
17 Administration was supportive of our goals, and with
18 only a few minor changes, the bill has moved quickly
19 through the legislative process. The Council, the
20 Administration, and the City of New York are united
21 in our opposition to hate crimes, and we are mutually
22 committed to making sure that communities who are
23 most impacted by violent hate crimes feel that they
24 have the support and the resources of the city behind
25 them. Violent hate crimes have no place in a proudly

2 diverse city such as New York City, and it's
3 important that all races, colors and creeds stand
4 together against hate. This is an important next
5 step in ensuring the collaboration between the Office
6 to Prevent Hate Crimes, local elected officials and
7 communities stand together. I'd like to thank
8 Council Member Treyger for sponsoring this bill, and
9 with that being said, we will open the vote.

10 CLERK: Matthew DiStefano, Committee
11 Clerk, Committee on Public Safety, roll call vote for
12 Proposed Intro No. 1847-A. Chair Richards.

13 CHAIRPERSON RICHARDS: Aye.

14 CLERK: Cohen.

15 COUNCIL MEMBER COHEN: Aye.

16 CLERK: Deutsch.

17 COUNCIL MEMBER DEUTSCH: Aye.

18 CLERK: Lancman.

19 COUNCIL MEMBER LANCMAM: Aye

20 CLERK: Menchaca

21 COUNCIL MEMBER MENCHACA: Aye

22 CLERK: Vallone-Vallone.

23 COUNCIL MEMBER VALLONE: Aye.

24 CLERK: Adams.

25 COUNCIL MEMBER ADAMS: Aye.

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2 CLERK: Brannan.

3 COUNCIL MEMBER BRANNAN: Aye.

4 CLERK: Powers.

5 COUNCIL MEMBER POWERS: Aye.

6 CLERK: By a vote of 9 in the
7 affirmative, zero in the negative and no abstentions,
8 the item has been adopted.

9 CHAIRPERSON RICHARDS: Thank you all, but
10 open—the vote open for a few minutes. Menchaca, you
11 voted?

12 COUNCIL MEMBER MENCHACA: Yeah, I voted.

13 CHAIRPERSON RICHARDS: Okay.

14 CLERK: Continuation of roll call, Council
15 Member Cabrera:

16 COUNCIL MEMBER CABRERA: Aye

17 CLERK: the vote now stands 10 in the
18 affirmative, zero in the negative, no abstentions.

19 CLERK: Continuation of roll call vote,
20 Council Member Gibson

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22 COUNCIL MEMBER GIBSON: I vote aye.

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2 CLERK: The vote to approve now stands at
3 11 in the affirmative, zero in the negative and no
4 abstentions.

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6 (pause)

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8 CLERK: Continuation of roll call,
9 Council Member Rodriguez

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11 COUNCIL MEMBER RODRIGUEZ: Aye.

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13 CLERK: Final vote, 12 in the affirmative,
14 zero in the negative and no abstentions.

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Date March 26, 2020