

# The New York City Council

*City Hall  
New York, NY 10007*



## Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 7, 2023

10:00 AM

Council Chambers - City Hall

### **Committee on Cultural Affairs, Libraries and International Intergroup Relations**

*Chi A. Ossé, Chair*

*Members: Eric Dinowitz, Amanda Farías, Shahana K. Hanif,  
Crystal Hudson, Rita C. Joseph, Farah N. Louis, Francisco P. Moya and Sandra Ung*

Roll Call

**Present:** Ossé, Farías, Hanif, Hudson, Joseph, Louis, Moya and Ung

**Absent:** Dinowitz

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**Oversight - The Schomburg Center and the Role of Libraries and Cultural Organizations in Preserving New York City's History.**

**Attachments:** Committee Report, Hearing Testimony, Hearing Transcript

**This Oversight was Hearing Held by Committee**

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**This Oversight was Filed, by Committee**

Res 0199-2022

**Resolution declaring June Caribbean Heritage Month.**

**Attachments:** Res. No. 199, June 2, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 6-2-22, Minutes of the Stated Meeting - June 2, 2022, Committee Report 6/7/23, Hearing Testimony 6/7/23, Hearing Transcript 6/7/23, Committee Report 6/22/23, Hearing Transcript 6/22/23, June 22, 2023 - Stated Meeting Agenda

**This Resolution was Hearing Held by Committee**

**Attachments:** Res. No. 199, June 2, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 6-2-22, Minutes of the Stated Meeting - June 2, 2022, Committee Report 6/7/23, Hearing Testimony 6/7/23, Hearing Transcript 6/7/23, Committee Report 6/22/23, Hearing Transcript 6/22/23, June 22, 2023 - Stated Meeting Agenda

**This Resolution was Laid Over by Committee**

Res 0346-2022

**Resolution recognizing the contributions of Hip Hop to arts and culture by designating August 11 as Hip Hop Celebration Day, August as Hip Hop Recognition Month, and November as Hip Hop History Month annually in the City of New York.**

**Attachments:** Res. No. 346, October 12, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 10-12-22, Minutes of the Stated Meeting - October 12, 2022, Committee Report 6/7/23, Hearing Testimony 6/7/23, Hearing Transcript 6/7/23, Proposed Res. No. 346-A - 6/23/23

**This Resolution was Hearing Held by Committee**

**Attachments:** Res. No. 346, October 12, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 10-12-22, Minutes of the Stated Meeting - October 12, 2022, Committee Report 6/7/23, Hearing Testimony 6/7/23, Hearing Transcript 6/7/23, Proposed Res. No. 346-A - 6/23/23

**This Resolution was Laid Over by Committee**

**Res 0450-2022**      **Resolution recognizing the contributions of Def Jam to the music industry and to music lovers everywhere by designating January 2024 as Def Jam Recognition Month in the City of New York.**

**Attachments:** Res. No. 450, December 21, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 12-21-22, Minutes of the Stated Meeting - December 21, 2022, Proposed Res. No. 450-A - 5/31/23, Committee Report 6/7/23, Hearing Testimony 6/7/23, Hearing Transcript 6/7/23

**This Resolution was Hearing Held by Committee**

**Attachments:** Res. No. 450, December 21, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 12-21-22, Minutes of the Stated Meeting - December 21, 2022, Proposed Res. No. 450-A - 5/31/23, Committee Report 6/7/23, Hearing Testimony 6/7/23, Hearing Transcript 6/7/23

**This Resolution was Laid Over by Committee**

**Res 0621-2023**      **Resolution designating November 15 annually as Ol' Dirty Bastard Day in the City of New York and honoring his legacy as a founder of the legendary Wu-Tang Clan and as a unique MC.**

**Attachments:** Res. No. 621, May 11, 2023 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 5-11-23, Committee Report 6/7/23, Hearing Testimony 6/7/23, Hearing Transcript 6/7/23

**This Resolution was Hearing Held by Committee**

**Attachments:** Res. No. 621, May 11, 2023 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 5-11-23, Committee Report 6/7/23, Hearing Testimony 6/7/23, Hearing Transcript 6/7/23

**This Resolution was Laid Over by Committee**

**Res 0622-2023**      **Resolution designating September 10 annually as Big Daddy Kane Day in the City of New York and celebrating his influence on generations of Hip Hop MCs.**

**Attachments:** Res. No. 622, May 11, 2023 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 5-11-23, Committee Report 6/7/23, Hearing Testimony 6/7/23, Hearing Transcript 6/7/23

**This Resolution was Hearing Held by Committee**

**Attachments:** Res. No. 622, May 11, 2023 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 5-11-23, Committee Report 6/7/23, Hearing Testimony 6/7/23, Hearing Transcript 6/7/23

**This Resolution was Laid Over by Committee**

**Res 0623-2023**      **Resolution designating May 21 annually as Christopher “Biggie Smalls” Wallace Day in the City of New York and recognizing his contributions to the cultural landscape of his home borough of Brooklyn and to Hip Hop worldwide.**

**Attachments:** Res. No. 623, May 11, 2023 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 5-11-23, Committee Report 6/7/23, Hearing Testimony 6/7/23, Hearing Transcript 6/7/23, Committee Report 6/22/23, Hearing Transcript 6/22/23, June 22, 2023 - Stated Meeting Agenda

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**Res 0624-2023**      **Resolution designating July 8 annually as Reggie “Combat Jack” Ossé Day in the City of New York and honoring his multifaceted contributions to the Hip Hop industry as a lawyer, executive, editor, and podcaster.**

**Attachments:** Res. No. 624, May 11, 2023 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 5-11-23, Committee Report 6/7/23, Hearing Testimony 6/7/23, Hearing Transcript 6/7/23, Committee Report 6/22/23, Hearing Transcript 6/22/23, June 22, 2023 - Stated Meeting Agenda

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**Attachments:** Res. No. 624, May 11, 2023 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 5-11-23, Committee Report 6/7/23, Hearing Testimony 6/7/23, Hearing Transcript 6/7/23, Committee Report 6/22/23, Hearing Transcript 6/22/23, June 22, 2023 - Stated Meeting Agenda

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**Res 0643-2023**      **Resolution calling on the New York State Legislature to pass, and the Governor to sign, S.5714-A/A.4912-A to increase access to resources by culturally diverse arts and cultural organizations that advocate for diversity, equity, inclusion, cultural preservation, and racial and social justice.**

**Attachments:** Res. No. 643, May 25, 2023 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 5-25-23, Committee Report 6/7/23, Hearing Testimony 6/7/23, Hearing Transcript 6/7/23, Proposed Res. No. 643-A - 6/23/23

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**Attachments:** Res. No. 643, May 25, 2023 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 5-25-23, Committee Report 6/7/23, Hearing Testimony 6/7/23, Hearing Transcript 6/7/23, Proposed Res. No. 643-A - 6/23/23

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Res 0644-2023

**Resolution calling on the United States Congress to pass, and the President to sign, legislation to support arts and humanities programs that address and fight systemic racism.**

**Attachments:** Res. No. 644, May 25, 2023 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 5-25-23, Committee Report 6/7/23, Hearing Testimony 6/7/23, Hearing Transcript 6/7/23

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Res 0645-2023

**Resolution designating June as Fatherhood Recognition Month annually in the City of New York to honor and support the contributions of fathers to family and community life.**

**Attachments:** Res. No. 645, May 25, 2023 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 5-25-23, Committee Report 6/7/23, Hearing Testimony 6/7/23, Hearing Transcript 6/7/23, Proposed Res. No. 645-A - 6/20/23, Committee Report 6/22/23, Hearing Transcript 6/22/23, June 22, 2023 - Stated Meeting Agenda

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