

# The New York City Council

*City Hall  
New York, NY 10007*



## Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 25, 2021

11:30 AM

VOTE

- REMOTE HEARING (VIRTUAL ROOM 1) -

### Committee on Immigration

*Carlos Menchaca, Chair  
Members: Margaret S. Chin, Daniel Dromm,  
Mathieu Eugene and Francisco P. Moya*

## Roll Call

**Present:** Menchaca, Chin, Dromm, Eugene and Moya

*Other Council Members Attending: Perkins and Vallone*

Res 1416-2020

**Resolution calling on the United States Department of Homeland Security to halt all deportation proceedings for the length of the COVID-19 pandemic, as a means of restricting the global spread of this disease.**

**Attachments:** Res. No. 1416, Committee Report 9/17/20, Hearing Testimony 9/17/20, Hearing Transcript 9/17/20, September 16, 2020 - Stated Meeting Agenda with Links to Files, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 9-16-20, Minutes of the Stated Meeting - September 16, 2020, Proposed Res. No. 1416-A - 2/24/21, Committee Report 2/25/21, Hearing Testimony 2/25/21, Hearing Transcript 2/25/21, Committee Report - Stated Meeting, February 25, 2021 - Stated Meeting Agenda with Links to Files

*Proposed Res. No. 1416-A*

**This Resolution was Hearing Held by Committee**

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**This Resolution was Amended by Committee**

**Res 1416-2020-A      Resolution calling on the United States Department of Homeland Security to halt all deportation proceedings for the length of the COVID-19 pandemic, as a means of restricting the global spread of this disease.**

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**A motion was made that this Resolution be Approved by Committee approved by Roll Call.**

**Affirmative:** 5 - Menchaca, Chin, Dromm, Eugene and Moya

**Res 1417-2020      Resolution calling on the United States Department of Homeland Security to place a moratorium on all removal proceedings for employment-based status holders that suffered a loss of employment during or due to the COVID-19 pandemic.**

**Attachments:** Res. No. 1417, Committee Report 9/17/20, Hearing Testimony 9/17/20, Hearing Transcript 9/17/20, September 16, 2020 - Stated Meeting Agenda with Links to Files, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 9-16-20, Minutes of the Stated Meeting - September 16, 2020, Proposed Res. No. 1417-A - 2/24/21, Committee Report 2/25/21, Hearing Transcript 2/25/21, Committee Report - Stated Meeting, February 25, 2021 - Stated Meeting Agenda with Links to Files

*Proposed Res. No. 1417-A*

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**This Resolution was Amended by Committee**

**Res 1417-2020-A Resolution calling on the United States Department of Homeland Security to place a moratorium on all removal proceedings for employment-based status holders that suffered a loss of employment during or due to the COVID-19 pandemic.**

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**Affirmative:** 5 - Menchaca, Chin, Dromm, Eugene and Moya

**Res 1418-2020 Resolution calling on the United States Congress to pass, and the President to sign, legislation that would permit employment-based status holders to retain lawful status, after loss of employment, if such loss was related to the COVID-19 pandemic.**

**Attachments:** Res. No. 1418, Committee Report 9/17/20, Hearing Testimony 9/17/20, Hearing Transcript 9/17/20, September 16, 2020 - Stated Meeting Agenda with Links to Files, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 9-16-20, Minutes of the Stated Meeting - September 16, 2020, Proposed Res. No. 1418-A - 2/24/21, Committee Report 2/25/21, Hearing Transcript 2/25/21, Committee Report - Stated Meeting, February 25, 2021 - Stated Meeting Agenda with Links to Files

*Proposed Res. No. 1418-A*

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**Res 1419-2020**      **Resolution calling on the United States Congress to pass, and the President to sign, legislation that would provide immigration relief for family members who derive lawful immigration status from a frontline worker who passed away due to COVID-19.**

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