

Office, New York City used some of the funds received through the CCDBG to help cover other spending needs and fill the City's budget gap; and

Whereas, The Report also states that the City's allocation of its own funds for child care, both in dollar amount and as a share of overall child care spending, has declined, and, despite a significant increase in child care funding from the State and federal government, there has not been a proportionate increase in the amount of such services provided by the City; and

Whereas, The Administration has stated that due to the current fiscal climate, any increased spending relating to child care services and the child care workforce will be delayed; and

Whereas, The supplantation of City tax levy dollars with federal child care expansion funding sends the message that children and working and needy families of this City are not important; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York calls upon New York City to prioritize quality child care and restore child care funds to ensure that increases in federal and State child care funds are used for their intended purpose of expanding the supply of child care and covering the increasing cost of such care.

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