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Whereas, Head Start has never been properly funded, as demonstrated in a 1996 National Head Start Association ("NHSA") report which found that years of neglect followed by an injection of new funds brought the Head Start program back to the funding level of 1971; and

Whereas, According to the NHSA Head Start currently serves approximately only three of five eligible children; and

Whereas, The NHSA indicates that Head Start also needs an increase in funding to better ensure that its programs are housed in adequate facilities and participating teachers receive adequate salaries; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York calls upon the President of the United States, George W. Bush. and the Congress to increase the funding for the Head Start program.

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