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Res. No. 1547

Resolution calling upon the New York State Legislature to pass, and the Governor to sign, S2984/A1951, which would require New York Police Department officers to live within the five boroughs of New York City.

By Council Members Moya, Kallos, Constantinides, Louis, Chin, Rosenthal, Rivera, Ampry-Samuel and Barron

Whereas, S2984/A1951, sponsored by State Senator Kevin Parker and Assembly Member Catalina Cruz, were introduced in the New York State Senate to establish a residency requirement for police officers in cities with a population of one million or more residents, which includes New York City; and

Whereas, S2984/A1951, if passed, would require newly hired New York Police Department (NYPD) officers to live within one of the five boroughs of New York City within a year of appointment; and

Whereas, According to the NYPD Patrol Guide, NYPD officers are currently allowed to live in the five boroughs or the counties of Nassau, Suffolk, Rockland, Westchester, Putnam, or Orange, unlike NYPD's own civilian staff and other City agency staff who are subject to a two year New York City residency requirement; and

Whereas, Data from the NYPD shows that a majority of uniformed officers-51%-currently live outside of New York City, which is a decline from 2016 when 58% of officers lived in New York City; and

Whereas, A city residency requirement for NYPD officers has the potential to improve community-police relations, with officers having more of a stake in the city they patrol, and would increase the likelihood New York City taxpayer dollars, which pay for officers' salaries, remain in the communities served by the NYPD; now therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York calls upon the New York State Legislature to pass,

and the Governor to sign, S2984/A1951, which would require New York Police Department officers to live within the five boroughs of New York City.

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