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Res. No. 101

Resolution calling upon the New York City Housing Authority to establish an admission preference for applicants with severe health conditions.

## By Council Member Rodriguez

Whereas, Living in poor housing conditions can negatively affect a wide range of health conditions related to infectious diseases, chronic illness, injuries, poor nutrition and mental health disorders; and

Whereas, According to the National Center for Biotechnology Information, epidemiological studies have linked damp, cold, moldy housing and pest infestations with asthma and other chronic respiratory disorders; and

Whereas, Those with severe health conditions that are living in an environment which could severely deteriorate their health may not have the financial resources to find a new home in New York City; and

Whereas, The New York City Housing Authority's (NYCHA) mission is to provide safe and affordable housing for low- and moderate-income residents throughout the five boroughs; and

Whereas, NYCHA as a public housing agency (PHA) can set its own income eligibility and admission preferences under federal and state law; and

Whereas, According to federal regulations, NYCHA has the ability to adopt a system of local preferences for the selection of families admitted to its public housing program; and

Whereas, Such admission priorities must be based on local housing needs and determined by the PHA after a period of public comment and consultation with the PHA's resident advisory board and then submitted as a part of PHA's annual or five year plan, whichever is applicable, to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), which then must approve or disapprove the plan; and

Whereas, Tenants with severe health conditions who qualify for public housing due to need should receive an admission preference from NYCHA; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York calls upon the New York City Housing Authority to establish an admission preference for applicants with severe health conditions.

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