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Res. No. 423

Resolution calling upon the Congress and President of the United States to provide a specific allocation of funding for video security systems at New York City Housing Authority developments.

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Whereas, The New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) is the nation’s largest housing authority with 334 developments and 2,604 buildings comprising 178,407 units and nearly 404,000 authorized tenants; and

Whereas, Fifteen high crime NYCHA developments have been targeted and are currently equipped with a technologically advanced video security system, known as the Video Interactive Patrol Enhancement

Response (VIPER) system; and

Whereas, All VIPER systems are constantly monitored from a central location by the New York City Police Department; and

Whereas, There has been a demonstrated decrease in crime in these 15 NYCHA VIPER-equipped developments, since 1997, when the City first began installing VIPER systems; and

Whereas, There are currently eighty-five additional NYCHA developments with security cameras installed, known as closed circuit televisions (CCTVs); and

Whereas, Such CCTVs are not monitored by the Police Department but the videotapes made are kept on file for a certain period of time by employees of NYCHA; and

Whereas, Funding for CCTV systems have been allocated through the City's capital budget; and

Whereas, New York City continues to face significant budget deficits, and it may be difficult for Council Member capital allocations to continue to support such CCTV systems; and

Whereas, Since the Public Housing Operating Fund, which provides funding for NYCHA's operation, is funded from Congressional allocations, Congress has a responsibility to provide funding for video security systems, since public housing residents benefit from the decrease in crime that such cameras provide; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York calls upon the Congress and President of the United States to provide a specific allocation of funding for video security systems at New York City Housing Authority developments.

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