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Res. No. 1810

Resolution calling upon New York State Legislature to examine the Retirement and Social Security Law as it pertains to the provision of disability benefits for members of the New York City Police Pension Fund and for members of the New York City Fire Department Pension Fund.

By Council Members Vallone, Chin, Comrie and Halloran

Whereas, The men and women that serve in the New York City Police Department (“NYPD”) and in the New York City Fire Department (“FDNY”) risk their lives daily to ensure the safety and well-being of the residents of New York City; and

Whereas, According to the Tier 3 Summary Plan Description of the New York City Police Pension Fund, if a NYPD or FDNY officer that has less than five years of service is disabled during a non-work function they receive no pension benefits; and

Whereas, However, According to the Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) 25-Year Retirement Plan for Tier 4 Members of the New York City Employees Retirement System, EMTs disabled during a non-work function and have less than five years of service receive a portion of their salary for the remainder of their life; and

Whereas, The State and the unions that represent the members of both pension funds should work together to find a fiscally sound remedy to this disparity that leaves some the City’s first responders unprotected after honorably serving the people of New York City; and

Whereas, Remedying this disparity would help provide equality in benefits among first responders; now, therefore, be it

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

the Retirement and Social Security Law as it pertains to the provision of disability benefits for members of the New York City Police Pension Fund and for members of the New York City Fire Department Pension Fund.

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