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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring that missing persons reports be checked prior to a city burial

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 2 of title 17 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 17-209 to read as follows:

§ 17-209 Missing persons reports and city burials. The chief medical examiner shall make reasonable efforts to check missing persons reports and databases for possible matches with unidentified human remains in the possession of the chief medical examiner, and shall make reasonable efforts to contact any family member who has reported such missing person, prior to transferring such remains to the department of correction or other city agency for the purposes of a city burial.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 60 days after it becomes law.

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