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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring all NYPD officers to receive sensitivity training to assist them in responding to victims of gender-based street harassment and sexual assault

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Title 14 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 14-155 to read as follows:

§14-155 Gender-based street harassment and sexual assault survivor sensitivity training. a. Definitions.

For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

Gender-based street harassment. The term “gender-based street harassment” means harassment or any other such offense, as defined under article 240 of the New York penal law, directed at the victim because of their actual or perceived sex, gender, gender expression, or sexual orientation.

Sexual assault. The term “sexual assault” means rape, criminal sexual acts, misdemeanor sex offenses, sexual abuse, course of sexual conduct against a child, predatory sexual assault, or any other such offense, as defined under article 130 of the New York penal law.

Survivor. The term “survivor” means any person who has been the victim of gender-based street harassment or sexual assault.

b. Training. 1. New recruits. The New York city police department shall conduct sensitivity training to assist officers in responding to survivors of gender-based street harassment and sexual assault as part of their academy training. The training shall be sensitive to cultural differences, gender, gender expression, and sexual

orientation.

2. Ongoing training. All police officers shall receive up-to-date training, on a biennial basis, to assist them in responding to survivors of gender-based street harassment and sexual assault.

§2. This local law shall take effect 90 days after it becomes law.

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