



Legislation Text

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Resolution ratifying the Speaker's authorization to bring legal action on behalf of the Council in the matter captioned *The Council of the City of New York, et al., v. The Department of City Planning, et al.*

By The Speaker (Council Member Johnson) and Council Members Chin, Lander, Salamanca and Ampry-Samuel

Whereas, On December 5, 2018, the City Planning Commission (CPC) approved three modifications to the 1972 Two Bridges Large Scale Residential Development (LSRD) permit; and

Whereas, CPC has approved these modifications as purported "minor modifications" to an existing special permit that governs development in the Two Bridges LSRD special permit, and

Whereas, The three proposed skyscrapers that are the subject of the CPC approval will be approximately 1,008 feet in height and 80 stories, approximately 748 feet and 62 stories, and approximately 730 feet in height and 63 stories; and

Whereas, The City Charter requires that projects of such magnitude and with such additional adverse impacts be submitted as requests for new permits subject to public review pursuant to the uniform land use review process (ULURP); and

Whereas, DCP and CPC have deprived the City Council of its plenary authority to approve, approve with modifications, and disapprove land use decisions subject to ULURP; and

Whereas, on December 7, 2018, the City Council and the Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer commenced the action captioned *The Council of the City of New York, et al. v. The Department of City Planning of the City of New York, et al.*; now

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York ratifies the Speaker's authorization to bring legal

action on behalf of the Council in the matter captioned *The Council of the City of New York, et al. v. The Department of City Planning of the City of New York, et al.*

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