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A Local Law to amend the New York city building code, in relation to bird friendly glass

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Section 2402.1 of the New York city building code, as amended by local law number 141 for

the year 2013, is amended by adding a new definition of "BIRD FRIENDLY GLASS" in appropriate

alphabetical order to read as follows:

BIRD FRIENDLY GLASS. Glass or glazing that has, or has been treated to have, a maximum threat factor of 25 as defined by the Bird Collision Threat Rating Calculation Spreadsheet created by the American Bird Conservatory and adopted as pilot credit SSpc55 by the United States Green Building Council based upon the Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) credit system.

§ 2. Section BC 2403 of the New York city building code, as amended by local law number 141 for the

year 2013, is amended by adding a new section 2403.7 to read as follows:

2403.7 Bird friendly glass. A minimum of 90 percent of all exterior glazing on the lowest 75 feet (22860 mm) of any building and on the 12 feet (3657.6 mm) above any green roof system shall consist of bird friendly glass. 100 percent of all exterior glazing on all glass balcony railings, all parallel glass and all glass corners shall consist of bird friendly glass.

§ 3. This local law takes effect 120 days after it becomes law, except that the commissioner of buildings

may take such measures as are necessary for the implementation of this local law, including the promulgation

of rules, prior to such effective date.

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