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A Local Law in relation to a public information and outreach campaign on domestic violence during the COVID-19 emergency, and the repeal thereof

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Public information and outreach campaign on domestic violence during the COVID-19 emergency. a. Definitions. For purposes of this local law, the following terms have the following meanings:

COVID-19 emergency. The term “COVID-19 emergency” means the state disaster emergency declared by the governor of the State of New York on March 7, 2020 as a result of the 2019 novel coronavirus or 2019-nCoV.

ENDGBV. The term “ENDGBV” means the mayor’s office to end domestic and gender-based violence.

b. Campaign. Within two weeks of the effective date of this local law, ENDGBV shall implement a public information and outreach campaign designed to inform the public of the resources available to survivors of domestic violence during the COVID-19 emergency. Such campaign shall at a minimum (i) include collaboration with domestic violence empowerment initiatives; (ii) address the specific needs of each borough; and (iii) include strategies to reach people who do not have ready access to computers or the internet.

c. Reporting. 1. Within two weeks of the effective date of this local law, ENDGBV shall provide the speaker of the city council with a written plan for the campaign required by subdivision b.

2. After the submission of such written plan, ENDGBV shall provide the speaker of the city council with a weekly report concerning steps taken to implement such plan and relevant data, including but not limited to the number of calls received by the New York city domestic violence hotline; the number of hits to

ENDGBV's website; and, to the extent practicable, the total number of domestic violence complaints made to the New York city police department, disaggregated by precinct.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately and is deemed repealed 1 year after it becomes law.

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