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A Local Law in relation to reporting on the number of youths that have lost parents, legal guardians or caretakers to COVID-19.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Definitions. For purposes of this local law, the following terms have the following meanings:

City. The term “city” means the city of New York.

COVID-19. The term “COVID-19” means the 2019 novel coronavirus or 2019-nCoV.

Youth. The term “youth” means a person under the age of 18 years old.

§ 2. Monthly report on number of youths who have lost a parent, legal guardian or caretaker to COVID-19. No later than November 1, 2020, and monthly thereafter, the commissioner of health and mental hygiene shall submit to the mayor and to the speaker of the council and shall post conspicuously on the department of health and mental hygiene’s website a monthly report on the number of youths who have lost a parent, legal guardian, or caretaker to COVID-19. Such report shall include data on the number of such youths disaggregated by borough. In collecting the required data for such report, the commissioner of health and mental hygiene may work in consultation with the chancellor of the city school district, the commissioner of children’s services, the New York state commissioner of children and family services and any additional agency as the commissioner sees fit.

§ 3. Except as otherwise expressly required by this local law, no report required by section 2 of this local law shall contain personally identifiable information.

§ 4. No information that is otherwise required to be reported pursuant to this local law shall be reported

in a manner that would violate any applicable provision of federal, state or local law.

§ 5. The commissioner shall include with any such report required by this local law a recommendation to the mayor and to the speaker of the council about whether continued reporting on such topic is necessary and appropriate.

§ 6. This local law takes effect immediately.

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