



Legislation Text

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IN MEMORIAM

David Hoghe

By the Entire Council

Whereas, The Council of the City of New York celebrates the life and mourns the passing of our dear friend and colleague, David Hoghe, who enriched all of our lives with his warmth, intelligence and humor; and
Whereas, Born the eldest of three children to Aldene and Leland Hoghe in Winooski, Vermont in 1963, David Hoghe graduated from SUNY Albany in 1985 with a B.A. in English and History; and

Whereas, Shortly after graduation, David Hoghe took a position as a Research Assistant to the Director of the Office of Fiscal Studies for the New York State Senate Finance Committee where he worked on legislation including the Tax Reform Act of 1987 and the 1988 Highway Bond Act; and

Whereas, David participated in the production of the annual Office White Paper and provided statistical data to the Wharton Econometric Forecasting Associates for their quarterly updates of New York State finances; and

Whereas, In 1989, David Hoghe joined the New York City Council Finance Division as a Legislative Financial Analyst and right away, became instrumental in implementing the Council's enhanced budgetary powers, resulting from the 1989 revision of the New York City Charter; and

Whereas, During his eleven year career at the Finance Division, David served in many different capacities and participated in various projects including the Council's Real Property Tax Reform Commission, Fiscal Federalism Report, Sports and Arts Corporation proposal and an analysis of Sports Stadium Financing; and

Whereas, David Hoghe brought to the Council a love for art and literature and perhaps the most enjoyable and rewarding aspect of his job was serving as the Council's liaison to New York City's cultural affairs community and New York City library systems; David earned the respect and admiration of all who he came in contact with including the cultural and library community; and

Whereas, David staunchly advocated for the City's cultural groups and institutions, consistently performing thoughtful analysis on the economic benefits of funding these entities; and

Whereas, David, who possessed a great love for the written word, fought to restore funding to the City's public library systems and was instrumental in bringing about six-day-a-week library service Citywide and the expansion and enhancement of the Connecting Libraries and Schools Program; and

Whereas, David analyzed the fiscal implications of various pieces of legislation enacted by the Council and was responsible for monitoring and analyzing the budget of major New York City agencies including the Departments of Cultural Affairs and Parks and Recreation as well as all of the City's Library Systems; and

Whereas, In addition, David served as the Finance Division's liaison to the Land Use Committee where he was responsible for reviewing large development projects proposed to be undertaken in various locations around the City; and

Whereas, In 1994 David Hoghe was promoted to Supervising Legislative Financial Analyst for the Finance Division's Infrastructure and Education Unit and was responsible for overseeing a staff of seven people; and

Whereas, David's exceptional writing and proofreading skills were invaluable to the Finance Division; during his spare time, he indulged his passion for writing and has written several works during his life; and

Whereas, For nearly ten years David was responsible for overseeing the Council's Local Initiatives project, performing this job with painstaking thoroughness and it was through his hard work and dedication that thousands of New Yorkers were able to receive such vital services as day care for children, services to the elderly, meals to the hungry and medical services to those in need; and

Whereas, David was much more than an employee of the City Council Finance Division, but also a dedicated public servant, a beloved friend and an integral part of the City Council and especially the Finance Division family; he will be sorely missed; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York celebrates the life and mourns the passing of David Hoghe, extends its deepest sympathies to his family and friends and adjourns today in his honor.

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