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A Local Law in relation to the establishment of a drag laureate program

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.

LGBTQ plus. The term “LGBTQ plus” means lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning, and other non-heterosexual sexual orientations or non-cisgender gender identities.

§ 2. The commissioner of cultural affairs, in collaboration with the director of the office of nightlife, shall establish a drag laureate program. Pursuant to such program, the commissioner of cultural affairs, in collaboration with the director of the office of nightlife, shall appoint, no later than January 30 of each year, an individual to serve as a drag laureate. Such drag laureate shall:

- a. Serve as an ambassador to local businesses and LGBTQ plus spaces; and
- b. Promote arts and culture in the city.

§ 3. Subject to appropriation, the commissioner of cultural affairs shall provide the drag laureate with a fee and in-kind resources to facilitate the performance of the duties of the drag laureate.

§ 4. This local law takes effect immediately.

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