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Res. No. 24

Resolution calling upon the New York City Administration of Children's Services to fund and Criminal Court Judges to use the Positive Alternative Towards Home program.

By Council Member Cabrera

Whereas, In April 2011, the New York City Administration of Children's Services ("ACS") began a pilot program called Positive Alternative Towards Home ("PATH"); and

Whereas, The PATH program involves using electronic monitoring so that youth who would normally be in secure detention as alleged Juvenile Offenders ("JO's") can return to the community as they await adjudication; and

Whereas, Many young offenders can be effectively rehabilitated through community-based supervision and intervention; and

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Whereas, The PATH program includes support and supervision from community-based

organizations; and

Whereas, Residential care is costly and community based alternative programs that

divert juvenile offenders from residential care are cost effective and improve outcomes for children; and

Whereas, The goal of PATH is to keep youth in the community pending adjudication while

minimizing risk to the community; and

Whereas, PATH is a performance-based program where youth can significantly influence their

outcome based on their behavior; and

Whereas, An electronic monitoring device is used to measure the youth's compliance with curfew

and other court-ordered conditions and restrictions, as well as to monitor school and program attendance; and

Whereas, The PATH program is in line with ACS' efforts to step down youth from secure detention

to non-secure detention as well as from detention to community-based alternatives; and

Whereas, It must be a priority for New York City to maintain public safety while providing

effective alternatives to incarceration that allow court involved youth to remain safely with their families in

their communities; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York calls upon the New York City Administration

for Children's Services to fund and Criminal Court Judges to use the Positive Alternative Towards Home

program.

BG/JDK

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