

The New York City Council

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New York, NY 10007*



Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 3, 2003

1:00 PM

Council Chambers - City Hall

Committee on Higher Education

Charles Barron, Chair

*Members: Margarita Lopez, Bill Perkins, Gale A. Brewer,
James Gennaro, Miguel Martinez and Larry B. Seabrook*

Roll Call

Present:

Barron, Lopez, Perkins, Brewer, Gennaro, Martinez and Seabrook

T2003-0505 Oversight - Diversity in Faculty, Administration and Staff at CUNY

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Res 0696-2003 Resolution in support of affirmative action admission policies in higher education that take into consideration race and ethnicity among many factors used in making admissions decisions, as such policies serve a compelling state interest for institutions of higher education to achieve diverse student bodies, have the potential to enrich the life of the nation, and better enable the nation to remedy the present effects of past discrimination, and condemning President George W. Bush for attacking such affirmative action admission policies in two cases now pending before the United States Supreme Court, Gratz v. Bollinger, Board of Regents of the University of Michigan, et. al., (undergraduate lawsuit) and Grutter v. Bollinger, Board of Regents of the University of Michigan, et. al., (law school lawsuit), wherein the legal brief submitted by the Bush administration mischaracterizes the University of Michigan's admissions policy as a "quota" system, and demonstrates a profound insensitivity to civil rights.

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