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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION

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April 27, 2022

Start: 10:35 a.m.

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HELD AT: Remote hearing (Virtual Room 3)

B E F O R E: Shahana K. Hanif,
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Carmen N. De La Rosa

Rita C. Joseph

Shekar Krishnan

Francisco P. Moya

Pierina Ana Sanchez

Sandra Ung

2 SERGEANT PEREZ: Stream has been
3 confirmed. All recorders are on. Good morning.
4 Welcome to New York City Council's remote Committee
5 hearing on immigration. Everyone please turn on
6 your video at this time, silence all electronic
7 devices.

8 All written testimony can be submitted
9 to testimony@council.nyc.gov. Thank you. Chair
10 Hanif. We are ready to begin.

11 CHAIRPERSON HANIF: Thank you so much.
12 Good morning everyone. I'm Council Member Shahana
13 K. Hanif, Chair of the Committee on Immigration. I
14 would like to thank my colleagues for being present
15 today. I recognize that we have been joined by
16 Council Members Marte, De La Rosa, Joseph, Moya,
17 Krishnan, Sanchez, and Ung. Thank you all. The
18 Committee will be voting on 2 resolutions today,
19 which I am super, super proud to sponsor. The
20 first is Preconsidered Resolution #84A, which calls
21 on the State Legislature to pass and the Governor
22 to sign A.880 S.1572A, which would provide coverage
23 for healthcare services under the basic health
24 program for individuals whose immigration status
25 renders them ineligible for federal financial

2 participation. I want to thank my council
3 colleagues for cosponsoring this resolution, and
4 New York State Assembly Member Richard Gottfried,
5 and Senator Gustavo Rivera for introducing the
6 bills.

7 The second is resolution #112, which
8 calls on the New York State Legislature to pass,
9 and the Governor to sign the New York for All Act,
10 which would prohibit and regulate the discovery and
11 disclosure of immigration status by New York State
12 and local government entities. I want to thank the
13 Public Advocate, Jumaane Williams, for cosponsoring
14 this resolution, and State Assembly Member Karines
15 Reyes, and Senator Julia Salazar for introducing
16 the bills. These state bills will protect
17 immigrant New Yorkers, and this is an absolute
18 urgency in this time, so I strongly urge that the
19 State Legislature pass, and the Governor sign them
20 into law.

21 I want to thank the committee staff for
22 their work on this issue, including Committee
23 Counsel Harbani Ahuja and Jayasri Ganapathy, Policy
24 Analyst Kieshorne Dennie and Finance Analyst Jeanne
25 Florentine Kabore. I would also like to thank my

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2 Chief of Staff, Nora Brickner, Legislative
3 Director, Alex Liao, and everyone working in the
4 background to make sure that this vote runs
5 smoothly.

6 COUNSEL: With that, we can pass it over
7 to the clerk.

8 LEGISLATIVE CLERK: Is The Chair ready
9 for roll call? William Martin, Committee Clerk, roll
10 call Committee on Immigration, resolutions proposed,
11 Resolution 84A and Resolution 112. Both items are
12 coupled. Chairperson Hanif?

13 CHAIRPERSON HANIF: Aye on both.

14 LEGISLATIVE CLERK: Moya?

15 COUNCIL MEMBER MOYA: I vote aye.

16 LEGISLATIVE CLERK: Thank you. De La
17 Rosa?

18 COUNCIL MEMBER DE LA ROSA: Aye.

19 LEGISLATIVE CLERK: Thank you. Joseph?

20 COUNCIL MEMBER JOSEPH: Aye.

21 LEGISLATIVE CLERK: Thank you. Krisnan?

22 COUNCIL MEMBER KRISHNAN: Aye.

23 LEGISLATIVE CLERK: Thank you. Sanchez?

24 COUNCIL MEMBER SANCHEZ: Aye.

25 LEGISLATIVE CLERK: Thank you. Ung?

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2 COUNCIL MEMBER UNG: Aye.

3 LEGISLATIVE CLERK: Thank you. by a vote
4 of 7 in the affirmative, 0 in the negative, and no
5 abstentions, both items have been adopted by The
6 Committee. Madame Chair, there is a full committee.
7 You can close at your convenience.

8 CHAIRPERSON HANIF: Thank you so much. I
9 am really proud of the outcome this morning. I will
10 see you all tomorrow as stated. Thank you. With
11 that, I will close this off.

12 COUNSEL: The live has ended.

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