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Int. No. 900

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Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subchapter 4 of chapter 3 of title 24 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 24-370 to read as follows:

§ 24-370 Drinking fountains. a. The commissioner of environmental protection, in collaboration with the commissioner of transportation and the commissioner of citywide administrative services, shall establish a program to install 500 drinking fountains in public locations throughout the city by 2030. No drinking fountain installed before the effective date of this section shall be counted toward the fulfillment of the requirements of this subdivision. As part of such program, the commissioners shall install at least 50 drinking fountains per borough with a focus on communities underserved by publicly accessible drinking fountains. Such drinking

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fountains shall be operational at least from April to September each year, and shall be designed to

accommodate reusable water bottles, as well as to accommodate persons with disabilities. Such program shall

commence no later than 2 years after the effective date of this section.

b. No later than 5 years after the effective date of this section, the commissioner of environmental

protection, in collaboration with the commissioner of transportation and the commissioner of citywide

administrative services, shall submit to the mayor and speaker of the council a report that contains

recommendations for extending such program, including by further expanding access in underserved

communities. Such report shall also identify any challenges and issues presented by the program.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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