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Res. No. 1019

Resolution calling upon the City University of New York to submit a detailed annual report to the New York City Council and each borough president regarding the status of all prior Resolution-A funding provided to the City University of New York campuses for capital projects and critical maintenance projects.

By Council Member Cabrera

Whereas, The City University of New York (CUNY) has about 300 buildings on 25 campuses comprising 29 million square feet of classrooms, computer centers, science and other instructional and research labs, athletic facilities, theaters, greenhouses, astronomy observatories and more; and

Whereas, In 2008, the Critical Maintenance Program was created to ensure that CUNY campuses, many of which are between 50-100 plus years old, are maintained and meet health, safety, security and facilities preservation and code standards; and

Whereas, CUNY's Capital Reinvestment Program is an annual investment program designed to address deficiencies in campus facilities and infrastructure by developing a multi-year plan for strategic reinvestment in University facilities, ensuring that buildings remain operational and to best plan for future operational needs; and

Whereas, The Capital Reinvestment Program prioritizes projects related to the areas of life safety, accessibility, infrastructure performance, resource efficiency, and renewal of critical building systems; and

Whereas, The Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan to the State of New York and City of New York for Fiscal Year (FY) 2019-20 through FY 2023-24 was developed by the CUNY Office of Facilities Planning, Construction and Management with CUNY colleges and schools;

Whereas, For FY 2019-20 through FY 2023-24, the Capital Plan includes \$6.2 billion, of which \$4.7

billion is for both Capital Infrastructure and Equipment projects and Programmatic Renovations and \$1.5 billion is for Strategic Initiatives; and

Whereas, For the City FY 2020, the City Council's total capital allocation was \$65.1 million for CUNY Resolution-A funding; and

Whereas, According to the Task Force on Affordability, Admissions and Graduation Rates at the City University of New York, established by Local Law 161 of 2016, CUNY Central Office could improve transparency as it relates to both the internal policies and procedures and the methods for determining priority for allocating and dispersing funds for critical maintenance projects; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York calls upon the City University of New York to submit a detailed annual report to the New York City Council and each borough president regarding the status of all prior Resolution-A funding provided to the City University of New York campuses for capital projects and critical maintenance projects.

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