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Int. No. 2290

By Council Members Cabrera and Louis

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to an online portal to request press credentials

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 8 of Title 23 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended to add a new section 23-806 to read as follows:

§ 23-806 Press Credentials. a. Definitions. For purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

Press card. The term "press card" means a press credential that is issued to an individual member of the press and which may be used at multiple events during the period that the press card is valid.

Press credential. The term "press credential" means a document that entitles the bearer, subject to safety and evidence preservation concerns or space limitations, to cross police lines, fire lines or other restrictions, limitations or barriers established by the city at emergency, spot, or breaking news events and public events of a non-emergency nature where police lines, fire lines or other restrictions, limitations or barriers established by the city have been set up for security or crowd control purposes and to attend events sponsored by the city which are open to members of the press.

Reserve press card. The term "reserve press card" means a press credential that is issued to a news organization for use by individuals retained by such news organization.

Single event press card. The term "single event press card" means a press credential that is issued to an

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individual member of the press for use at a single event only.

b. The department of information technology and telecommunications, in consultation with the issuing agency, shall create and maintain an online portal on the city's website through which applicants may submit requests, along with documentation, for the issuance or renewal of press credentials including, but not limited to press cards, reserve press cards, and single event press cards.

§ 2. This local law takes effect in 180 days.

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