

Resolution of the Racial Justice Commission, April 15, 2021

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of New York has established the New York City Racial Justice Commission (the “Commission”), the first commission of its kind in America, to push forward changes to the City’s Charter based on racial justice and equity; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of New York has also appointed and empowered the members of the Commission to serve as the New York City Charter Revision Commission pursuant to Section 36(4) of the Municipal Home Rule Law; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution is intended to promote the effective functioning of the Commission as it does its work in reviewing the entire New York City Charter; and

Now, therefore, be it RESOLVED that the Racial Justice Commission hereby appoints Anusha Venkataraman as Executive Director of the Commission;

And may it be further RESOLVED, that consistent with Municipal Home Rule Law § 36, the Executive Director shall have the power to conduct the day-to-day business of the Commission, including but not limited to the authority to appoint and remove staff, fix their compensation, and establish policies and procedures for staff necessary to ensure the professional and orderly conduct of the staff’s work;

And may it be further RESOLVED, that the Executive Director may request and accept any and all services, facilities, materials, data or funds on behalf of the Commission in accordance with Municipal Home Rule Law § 36;

And may it be further RESOLVED, that the Commission delegates to the Chair, who may further delegate duties to the Executive Director, the power to take all steps necessary, consistent with any actions taken by the Commission, to ensure that the Commission meet as appropriate, including scheduling and providing notice of meetings and hearings, and preparing and distributing agendas and determining the order of business for meetings and hearings.

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