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December 27, 2021 Resolution of the New York City

Racial Justice Commission Amending Resolution of April 15, 2021

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of New York established the New York City Racial Justice Commission (the "Commission") 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 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, on April 15, 2021, the Commission voted by resolution to appoint Anusha Venkataraman as the Executive Director of the Commission with the power to conduct the day to day business of the Commission, including, but not limited to, the power to hire and fire staff and fix their compensation, and establish policies and procedures for staff necessary to ensure the professional and orderly conduct of the staff's work; to 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 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; and

WHEREAS, turnover in, and transition of, Commission staff, including Executive Director Venkataraman, is expected to occur in the weeks and months following the filing of the Commision's ballot proposals with the City Clerk; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to take steps to ensure the continued effective functioning of the Commission after the transition of staff and through November 2022;



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Now therefore be it RESOLVED that in order to provide for the orderly and necessary transition of Commission staff, while also facilitating the important and ongoing public education function of the Commission leading up to the November 8, 2022 general election, the Racial Justice Commission hereby amends its Resolution of April 15, 2021 to extend the delegation of powers, and responsibilities set out in that Resolution to Deputy Executive Director Harold Miller, and to any person who shall be appointed to serve as Executive Director of the Commission.