



Community Board 12 - Manhattan Washington Heights & Inwood

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April 28, 2021

The Honorable Charles Schumer
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

The Honorable Kirsten Gillibrand
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

The Honorable Adriano Espaillat
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Re: Resolution in support of the No Hate Act and the COVID-19 Hate Crimes Act

Dear Senators Schumer, and Gillibrand, and Representative Espaillat:

At the General Meeting on Tuesday, April 27, 2021, Community Board 12, Manhattan passed the following resolution with a vote of 30 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 1 not voting, supporting the No Hate Act and the COVID-19 Hate Crimes Act; and urging its Congressional representatives, Senators Charles Schumer & Kirsten Gillibrand and Representative Adriano Espaillat, to support this legislation.

Whereas: Hate crimes have risen to the highest levels in over a decade, according to data from the Federal Bureau of Investigation; and

Whereas: The Jabara-Heyer No Hate Act of 2021 (H.R. 2383; S.1086) would streamline national reporting systems used by law enforcement, train law enforcement on investigating hate crimes, and expand assistance and resources for victims of hate crimes; and

Whereas: The COVID-19 Hate Crimes Act (H.R. 1824; S. 728) would expedite U.S. Justice Department review of hate crimes, would have them coordinate with local law enforcement and community-based organizations to raise awareness about hate crime reporting, and establish an online hate crime reporting system in multiple languages; and

Whereas: Both bills are currently working their way through Congress; and

Whereas: Community Board 12, Manhattan (CB12M) values all of our community members feeling welcomed, safe, and protected; now therefore be it

Resolved: CB12M joins other community organizations in New York City in signing on to a letter to Congress in support of the passage of this legislation; and be it further

Resolved: CB12M urges its Congressional representatives, Senators Charles Schumer & Kirsten Gillibrand and Representative Adriano Espaillat, to support this legislation; and be it further,

Honorable Schumer, Gillibrand, and Espaillat

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Resolved: CB12M respectfully requests Rep. Espaillat and either Sen. Schumer or Gillibrand to read their support of this legislation into the records of their respective houses from their respective floors.

Sincerely,



Eleazar Bueno
Chairperson

cc: Hon. Mario Coumno, Governor
Hon. Bill de Blasio, Mayor
Hon. Jumaane Williams, Public Advocate
Hon. Scott M. Stringer, Comptroller
Hon. Brian Benjamin, State Senator
Hon. Robert Jackson, State Senator

Hon. Gale Brewer, Manhattan Borough President
Hon. Al Taylor, Assembly Member
Hon. Carmen De La Rosa, Assembly Member
Hon. Ydanis Rodriguez, Council Member
Hon. Mark Levine, Council Member