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STATEMENT REGARDING EXPANDED WHISTLEBLOWER LAW

"The newly expanded scope of the Whistleblower Law will ensure the integrity of City government by protecting any City employee who comes forward to report allegations of wrongdoing," said Rose Gill Hearn, Commissioner of the Department of Investigation (DOI).

"DOI embarked last Summer on an unprecedented whistleblower outreach campaign with in-person lectures and distribution of printed materials, including brochures and posters, so that City employees can learn how to recognize and report corruption, as well as understand their right to be protected in doing so," said Gill Hearn. "As a result, we've received an increased number of matters brought to our attention."

Commissioner Gill Hearn thanked City Councilwoman Helen Sears and other members of the Committee on Standards and Ethics for sponsoring the legislation. She also thanked the City Council members present at today's session for passing the legislation unanimously.

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