



The City of New York

Queens Community Board 11

Serving the Communities of Auburndale, Bayside, Douglaston, Hollis Hills
Little Neck and Oakland Gardens

Christine L. Haider Chairperson / **Joseph Marziliano** District Manager

Resolution: Opposition to New York City Charter Revision Commission Proposal to Impose Community Board Member Term Limits

Whereas, the New York City Charter Revision Commission proposes sweeping changes to community boards by recommending a ballot question to establish community board member term limits of four consecutive two-year terms with staggered implementation,
and,

Whereas, this proposal has been made to encourage racial equity within community boards to be representative of their districts,
and,

Whereas, this goal can and has been accomplished with the Borough President and City Council Member appointment system as well as the natural yearly turnover of board members,
and,

Whereas, the Community Board has served as an official government institution to give volunteer neighbors the ability to comment on land use matters that impact their lives, families, and property,
and,

Whereas, the Community Board institution has served as the official sounding board for neighborhoods across the City of New York since the Lindsay Administration,
and,

Whereas, the vast institutional knowledge and neighborhood history that longstanding members possess would be squandered under this proposal, ultimately hurting our neighborhood,
and,

Whereas, Community Board 11 has taken a position against legislation that would impose term limits on community board members in the past,
and,

Therefore Be It Resolved That, Queens Community Board 11 opposes this action which would implement community board member term limits, and calls on City Charter Revision Commission, Mayor Bill de Blasio, The City Council, Civic Associations, and the General Public to oppose this measure.

Community Board 11, Queens voted on this item September 12, 2018 with a vote of 32 in favor, 6 opposed, and 1 abstention. Resolution adopted September 12, 2018.