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**After Council Resolution Passes, CCRB Chair Reiterates Need for Final
Disciplinary Authority**

New York, NY – New York City Civilian Complaint Review Board (CCRB) Chair Fred Davie issued the following statement after the New York City Council adopted Resolution 1538-A, calling upon the state legislature to pass State Senator Jamaal T. Bailey and Assemblywoman Catalina Cruz’s legislation (S.5252/A.6012) that would provide the CCRB with final disciplinary authority in its cases.

“Providing the CCRB with final disciplinary authority would lead to greater police accountability and ensure New Yorkers have a disciplinary process that—from start to finish—is totally independent from the police department,” **said CCRB Chair Fred Davie**. “Elected leaders who support equitable, independent, impartial civilian oversight of the NYPD can show their commitment to these values by providing the CCRB with the disciplinary authority it needs through the passage of this State legislation.”

“Communities across this country are searching for ways to improve community-police relations and achieve more accountability in their police departments. New York can step up and be a leader on this issue, and show the rest of the nation that empowered civilian oversight possible.”

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The New York City Civilian Complaint Review Board (CCRB) is the largest police oversight entity in the nation and is empowered to investigate, mediate, prosecute, and recommend disciplinary action for complaints alleging misconduct by NYPD officers. See NYC Charter § 440(c)(1). The agency's jurisdiction includes excessive and unnecessary force, abuse of authority, discourtesy, and use of offensive language. To further this mission, CCRB issues monthly, biannual, and special statistical and qualitative reports analyzing trends and recurring issues arising from the many thousands of civilian complaints it receives each year.