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NEW YORK CITY CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL, AFL-CIO RESOLUTION Environmental Bond Act Resolution Adopted October 4, 2022

WHEREAS, ninety percent of New York State's population reside in waterfront communities; and

WHEREAS, between 2011 and 2019, every county in New York State was affected by severe storms and flooding, tropical storms, or hurricanes, and more than half the counties were affected by five or more disaster events; and

WHEREAS, New York City, as a low-lying coastal city, is at a higher risk of experiencing hotter temperatures and increased flooding from rising sea levels, intense storms, and torrential rainfall; and

WHEREAS, in the last five years New York City has continued to experience heavy rainfall that has led to flooding in homes, businesses, the subway, and public roadways; and

WHEREAS, low-income communities and communities of color are more vulnerable to shocks and stressors such as public crises, rising sea levels, and severe storms; and

WHEREAS, climate change magnifies these vulnerabilities and New York will need to become more proactive in planning for climate change adaptation; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Bond Act will provide funding for local infrastructure and environmental restoration: and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Bond Act establishes strong standards for prevailing wage rates on construction projects and allows municipalities to require contractors to adopt labor peace agreements and buy American structural iron and steel; and

WHEREAS, New Yorkers will vote on the \$4.2 billion Environmental Bond Act in the

November 8, 2022, general election; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the New York City Central Labor Council, AFL-CIO will

take steps to ensure our affiliates have the information and access to shared resources to

vote yes on the proposed Environmental Bond Act; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the NYCCLC, AFL-CIO will utilize its NYC Labor Votes!

program, made-up of coordinators from its affiliates and will coordinate its collective

resources to ensure union members and their households are educated, engaged, and

mobilized to support and vote yes for the proposed Environmental Bond Act; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the NYCCLC, AFL-CIO will keep its leaders and members

informed on the outcome of the results for the proposed Environmental Bond Act.

Submitted by: New York City Central Labor Council Executive Board

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