**Statement on adoption of the City Hall Campus Emergency Preparedness Committee**

**Common Council President José G. Pérez**

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I’d like to thank my colleagues for passing this important piece of legislation. I’m a firm believer that before anyone can truly thrive, they must first feel safe. Whether creating safe neighborhoods or creating a positive and safe work environment, people need to feel comfortable in their surroundings. This file on emergency preparedness, more than anything, is the Council telling City workers: We hear you, we see you, and we care about you. The Council, as the body that establishes policy for the City, should be at the table, in collaboration with the administration, assisting in the development of meaningful protocols to ensure the health, safety and welfare of all City staff as best we can.

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