LOCAL LAWS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK

FOR THE YEAR 1999

No. 39

Introduced by Council Members Harrison, Linares, Abel, Ognibene, Stabile, Leffler, Spigner, Cruz, Malave-Dilan, Freed, Henry, Provenzano, Fiala and Golden; also Council Members DiBrienza, Lasher, Michels, Miller, Robles, Warden, Carrion and Reed.

A LOCAL LAW

To amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to prohibiting the public playing of three-card monte.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter one of title ten of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended to add a new section 10-161 to read as follows:

§ 10-161. Three-card monte prohibited.

- a. Definitions. For the purposes of this section, "three-card monte" shall mean a game or scheme in which the player is to receive money if he or she correctly selects one of any number of objects, which object was designated by the dealer, operator or any individual working with said dealer or operator of the game or scheme, as the winning object prior to shuffling or rearranging the position of such objects. "Objects" shall be defined as any item capable of being shuffled or rearranged on a surface, including, but not limited to, cards, shells or caps.
- b. It shall be unlawful for any person to deal or operate, or be in any manner accessory to the dealing or operating, of three-card monte on any public street, sidewalk or plaza.
- c. Any person who violates subdivision b of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.
- § 2. This local law shall take effect immediately.§ 2. This local law shall take effect immediately.

THE CITY OF NEW YORK, OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, s.s.:

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a local law of The City of New York, passed by the Council on July 21, 1999, and approved by the Mayor on August 4, 1999.

CARLOS CUEVAS, City Clerk, Clerk of the Council

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO MUNICIPAL HOME RULE LAW § 27

Pursuant to the provisions of Municipal Home Rule Law § 27, I hereby certify that the enclosed local law (Local Law 39 of 1999, Council Int. No. 51-A) contains the correct text and:

Received the following vote at the meeting of the New York City Council on July 21, 1999: 43 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 NOT VOTING.

Was signed by the Mayor on August 4, 1999.

Was returned to the City Clerk on August 5, 1999.

JEFFREY D. FRIEDLANDER, Acting Corporation Counsel