LOCAL LAWS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK FOR THE YEAR 2023

No. 31

Introduced by Council Members Brannan, Louis, Ayala, Cabán, Stevens, Hanif, Won, Restler, Hudson, Nurse, Abreu, Williams, Yeger, Velázquez, De La Rosa, Holden, Narcisse, Avilés, Rivera, Gennaro and Dinowitz.

A LOCAL LAW

To amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to expanding the definition of victim of domestic violence to include economic abuse

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. The definition of "victim of domestic violence" in section 8-102 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as added by local law number 63 for the year 2018, is amended to read as follows:

Victim of domestic violence. The term "victim of domestic violence" means:

- [a] *I. A* person who has been subjected to acts or threats of violence, not including acts of self-defense, committed by a current or former spouse *or domestic partner* of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabiting with or has cohabited with the victim, by a person who is or has been in a continuing social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim, or by a person who is *living* or has continually or at regular intervals lived in the same household as the victim[.]; *or*
- 2. A person who has been subjected to acts or threats of economic abuse, committed by a current or former spouse or domestic partner of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabiting with or has cohabited with the victim, by

a person who is or has been in a continuing social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim, or by a person who is living or has continually or at regular intervals lived in the same household as the victim. As used in this definition, the term "economic abuse" means acts or omissions that control, obstruct, or interfere with a person's ability to use or maintain economic resources to which they are entitled or to acquire economic resources, including by coercion, deception, fraud, or manipulation.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 120 days after it becomes law.

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 February 16, 2023 and approved by the Mayor on March 6, 2023.

MICHAEL M. McSWEENEY, City Clerk, Clerk of the Council.

CERTIFICATION OF CORPORATION COUNSEL

I hereby certify that the form of the enclosed local law (Local Law No. 31 of 2023, Council Int. No. 148-A of 2022) to be filed with the Secretary of State contains the correct text of the local law passed by the New York City Council and approved by the Mayor.

STEPHEN LOUIS, Acting Corporation Counsel.