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City Council Speaker Melissa Mark-Viverito  
105 East 116<sup>th</sup> Street  
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City Council Member Corey Johnson  
Chair of the Committee on Health  
224 West 30<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1206  
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Re: 0491-2014 Amending Sex Designation on Birth Records

Dear City Council Speaker Mark-Viverito and City Council Member Johnson:

I am writing with regard to New York City Council Bill #0491-2014 Amending Sex Designation on Birth Records.

The bill would allow transgender individuals to have their birth certificates reflect their true gender expression – an important aspect of a person's identity. From a law enforcement perspective, the bill would have no negative impact on the criminal justice system. I therefore support the bill.

Sincerely,

  
Cyrus R. Vance, Jr.