

# Petition for Community Review Board

In accord with the joint resolution of the Rikers Action Committee, the Stop Mass Incarceration Network, and the Negation.

Pursuant to the agency authority granted by the City Administrative Procedure Act (CAPA), Section 1043, subdivision a., by this joint resolution, we, hereby, petition for the Introduction of an *ad hoc* Community Review Board:

The Community Review Board (CRB) shall consist of community based organizations and other grassroots stakeholders in the introduction of community oversight into the New York City Department of Corrections. We hold that the Thesis of Seven Hoods should be applied to the social milieu of Rikers Island in that under the Seven Hood Thesis, 85% of all NYS prisoners come from seven distinct neighborhoods in New York City.

- a. The CRB shall have oversight of all educational, vocational, disciplinary, or other correctional activity.
- b. The CRB shall staff the Grievance Committee and be responsible for prisoner elections.
- c. The CRB shall review compliance of the New York Department of Correctional Service in the enforcement of the UN Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners and recommend changes and modifications.