

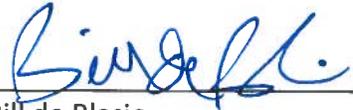


THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10007

**PROCLAMATION OF ELECTION**

As a result of the resignation of Maria del Carmen Arroyo from the City Council effective December 31, 2015, a vacancy has been created in the seat she has held as a Council Member for the seventeenth Council district. Accordingly, pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 25(b)(1) and 25(b)(6) of the New York City Charter, and in order to facilitate maximum voter participation, I hereby proclaim that a special election shall be held in the seventeenth Council district on February 23, 2016, to elect a Council Member to serve until December 31, 2016. Pursuant to Section 25(b)(7) of the Charter, nomination of candidates in this election shall be by independent nominating petition. Subsequent to such election, pursuant to Section 25(b)(2) of the Charter, the seat for such district shall be filled for the remainder of Council Member Maria del Carmen Arroyo's unexpired term by the person duly elected at the general election to be held in November 2016.

DATED: January 4, 2016

  
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Bill de Blasio  
Mayor