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**DOI STATEMENT ON THE CONVICTION OF
CITY COUNCILMAN LARRY SEABROOK ON PUBLIC CORRUPTION CHARGES**

ROSE GILL HEARN, Commissioner of the New York City Department of Investigation ("DOI"), issued the following statement on the jury conviction of City Councilman LARRY SEABROOK, 61, on wire fraud, mail fraud, and conspiracy charges. The jury delivered its verdict today before U.S. District Judge Deborah A. Batts in federal court in Manhattan. DOI investigated the case and the office of Preet Bharara, United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, prosecuted.

DOI Commissioner Rose Gill Hearn said, "This conviction ends Larry Seabrook's power to channel the flow of taxpayer funds to himself, his family, and his cronies. He was a master of diversion and misdirection undone by a dedicated team of City investigators and federal prosecutors and called to account by a jury of his peers. His career as an elected official is over, and his life as a convicted felon begins. I commend the DOI investigators and the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York who worked tirelessly to uncover and prosecute this case successfully. This is the third conviction of an elected official abusing discretionary funds uncovered by this hard-working team. We will continue to work together to expose and stop this defiance of the public trust."

Commissioner Gill Hearn thanked Preet Bharara, U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of New York, and the team of investigators and prosecutors who worked on this case.

The team of DOI investigators on this case included Associate Commissioner Yuval Hibshoosh, Deputy Inspector General Laila Yu, Senior Investigative Auditor Maggie Xu, Examining Attorney Jeanine Girgenti, Investigator Katy Diaz-Espinal, and Investigative Auditor Calvin Lam.

Assistant U.S. Attorneys Karl Metzner, Steve C. Lee, and Randall W. Jackson of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York were in charge of the prosecution.

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