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November 16, 2011

Honorable President and Members of the City Council

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On November 16, 2011 the Board had before consideration the following pending City Council Bill: it for

11-0790 - An ordinance concerning the Minority and Women's Business Enterprises - Program Extension for purpose of extending the existence of the City's Minority and Women's Business Enterprises program by 1 year; increasing the amount that a City contract must reach before triggering heightened requirements for MBE/WBE participation; and generally relating to the participation of minority and woman owned business entities in City contracts.

THE BUREAU OF PURCHASES RECOMMENDS THAT THE THRESHOLD AMOUNT BE MODIFIED TO COMPORT WITH THOSE ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD OF ESTIMATES PER THE CITY CHARTER AS AMENDED BY RESOLUTION 10-024; CH 645, ACTS OF 2010.

After NOTING AND CONCURRING in all favorable received, the Board approved the aforementioned City Council Bill and referred it to the City Council with the recommendation that it be approved and passed by that Honorable Body.

The President ABSTAINED from voting.

Sincerely,

Clerk to the Board of Estimates