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Introduced by Sen. GRISANTI -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Cultural Affairs, Tourism, Parks and Recreation

AN ACT to amend the parks, recreation and historic preservation law, in relation to the membership of the Michigan Street African American Heritage Corridor commission

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. The opening paragraph of section 41.05 of the parks, recre-
2 ation and historic preservation law, as amended by chapter 49 of the
3 laws of 2012, is amended to read as follows:
4 The commission is hereby established as a not-for-profit corporation.
5 The commission shall be governed by the not-for-profit corporation law
6 except where such law conflicts with this article, in which case the
7 provisions of this article shall govern. The commission shall consist of
8 up to [eleven] TWELVE voting members and seven non-voting ex-officio
9 members. One member each shall be appointed by the governor, the tempo-
10 rary president of the senate, and the speaker of the assembly. Other
11 members shall include the mayor of the city of Buffalo, or his or her
12 designee, a representative of museum studies at the state university of
13 New York College at Buffalo, two representatives of the department of
14 Afro-American studies at the state university of New York at Buffalo, a
15 representative from the Monroe Fordham regional history center at the
16 state university of New York College at Buffalo, and a representative
17 from each board governing the J. Edward Nash House, THE MICHIGAN STREET
18 BAPTIST CHURCH, the Langston Hughes Institute, and the Colored Musicians
19 Club. All appointments shall be residents of the city of Buffalo, but
20 the commission has the authority to waive this requirement at its
21 discretion. In addition, seven non-voting members shall serve ex-offi-
22 cio: the secretary of state, the commissioners of the office of parks,
23 recreation and historic preservation, environmental conservation,
24 economic development and education, ONE MEMBER FROM THE CONGREGATION OF
25 THE MICHIGAN STREET BAPTIST CHURCH OR THEIR DESIGNEE AND the president
26 of the city of Buffalo's convention and visitor's bureau, or their

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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1 designees[, and a representative of the Michigan Street Baptist Church].
2 Appointments to the commission shall be filed with the commissioner who
3 shall convene the first meeting of the commission following the filing
4 of a majority of the appointments. At the initial meeting, the members
5 of the commission shall elect officers.

6 S 2. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same
7 manner as chapter 49 of the laws of 2012, amending the parks, recreation
8 and historic preservation law relating to membership of the Michigan
9 Street African American Heritage Corridor commission; and provided,
10 further, that the amendments to section 41.05 of the parks, recreation
11 and historic preservation law made by section one of this act shall not
12 affect the repeal of such section and shall be deemed repealed there-
13 with.