

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2019-2020 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

May 24, 2019

Introduced by M. of A. PEOPLES-STOKES -- read once and referred to the Committee on Tourism, Parks, Arts and Sports Development

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; and to amend chapter 595 of the laws of 2007 amending the parks, recreation and historic preservation law relating to establishing the Michigan Street African American Heritage Corridor commission in Buffalo, in relation to extending the effectiveness thereof

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. The opening paragraph of section 41.05 of the parks, recreation and historic preservation law, as amended by chapter 283 of the laws of 2016, is designated subdivision 1 and is amended to read as follows:

1. The commission is hereby established as a not-for-profit corporation. The commission shall be governed by the not-for-profit corporation law except where such law conflicts with this article, in which case the provisions of this article shall govern. The commission shall consist of up to ~~[thirteen]~~ eleven voting members and seven non-voting ex-officio members. One member each shall be appointed by the governor, the temporary president of the senate, and the speaker of the assembly. Other members shall include the mayor of the city of Buffalo, or his or her designee, a representative of museum studies at the state university of New York College at Buffalo, ~~[two representatives]~~ one representative of the department of Afro-American studies at the state university of New York at Buffalo, ~~[a representative from the Monroe Fordham regional history center at the state university of New York College at Buffalo,~~ a representative from WUFO Studios, and a representative from each board governing the J. Edward Nash House, the Michigan Street Baptist Church, the Langston Hughes Institute, and the Colored Musicians Club. All

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

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1 appointments shall be residents of the city of Buffalo, but the commis-
2 sion has the authority to waive this requirement at its discretion. In
3 addition, seven non-voting members shall serve ex-officio: the secretary
4 of state, the commissioners of the office of parks, recreation and
5 historic preservation, environmental conservation, economic development
6 and education, one member from the congregation of the Michigan Street
7 Baptist Church or their designee and the president of the city of
8 Buffalo's convention and visitor's bureau, or their designees. Appoint-
9 ments to the commission shall be filed with the commissioner who shall
10 convene the first meeting of the commission following the filing of a
11 majority of the appointments. At the initial meeting, the members of the
12 commission shall elect officers.

13 § 2. Section 3 of chapter 595 of the laws of 2007, amending the parks,
14 recreation and historic preservation law relating to establishing the
15 Michigan Street African American Heritage Corridor commission in
16 Buffalo, as amended by chapter 150 of the laws of 2017, is amended to
17 read as follows:

18 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately, provided that section two
19 of this act shall expire and be deemed repealed December 31, [~~2019~~]
20 2020.

21 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately; provided however the
22 amendments made to section 41.05 of the parks, recreation and historic
23 preservation law made by section one of this act shall not affect the
24 repeal of such section and shall be deemed repealed therewith.