



## Community Education Council 24

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### Resolution No. 170

#### Resolution for Increased School Safety Measures at PS19Q

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**Whereas**, the New York City Department of Education (NYC DOE) is committed to fostering a safe and supportive learning environment that promotes the social-emotional development and well-being of all students; and

**Whereas**, one of the pillars of the NYC DOE's mission is to support social-emotional learning, which is undermined when students face harmful environmental conditions that compromise their safety, self-esteem, and overall well-being; and

**Whereas**, the students of PS19Q, located at 98-02 Roosevelt Avenue in Corona, Queens, are subjected to alarming safety and health hazards during dismissal and entry, including but not limited to:

- Open prostitution and illegal massage parlors employing sex workers,
- Rampant drug use, drunkenness, and public intoxication,
- Illegal street vending with no oversight or regulation,
- Mounds of garbage contributing to unsanitary conditions,
- Organized crime syndicates, illegal marijuana dispensaries, and shoplifting activities along the Roosevelt Avenue Corridor.



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**Whereas**, these environmental hazards negatively impact the safety, emotional well-being, and development of PS19Q students, exposing them to conditions that undermine their ability to feel safe, secure, and supported in their educational journey; and

**Whereas**, the school community, including parents, students, and staff, has repeatedly voiced concerns about the dangers posed to the students due to these issues but have seen no significant improvement or response.

**Be it resolved** that the Community Education Council District 24 (CEC24) formally requests:

1. An immediate increase in School Safety Agents at PS19Q to ensure the safety of students during school entry and dismissal.
2. A heightened and sustained NYPD presence during these critical times to monitor and address illegal activities near the school.
3. A coordinated effort between the NYPD, NYC Department of Sanitation, NYC Sheriff's Office, and other relevant agencies to address the issues of illegal vending, garbage accumulation, and organized crime that jeopardize the safety of the students and the surrounding community.

**Be it further resolved** that this resolution be submitted to the NYC DOE Chancellor, the Mayor's Office, the NYPD Commissioner, the NYC Sheriff, the NYPD Queens Borough Commander, and other relevant authorities to take urgent and effective action in restoring the safety and well-being of the students of PS19Q.

This request aligns with the NYC DOE's commitment to ensuring that all students are provided a safe and supportive environment, crucial for fostering their academic success and social-emotional growth.

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