

Introduced by Presiding Officer Calarco,
Deputy Presiding Officer Hahn and Legislators Cilmi, Fleming, Gonzalez, Flotteron, and Kennedy

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**PROCEDURAL RESOLUTION NO. 9-2020, AUTHORIZING THE
SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE INVESTIGATING THE
DEATH OF THOMAS VALVA TO ISSUE SUBPOENAS**

WHEREAS, the Presiding Officer has established a Special Legislative Committee to review the untimely death of Thomas Valva and to recommend any necessary policy changes to prevent such a tragedy from occurring in the future; and

WHEREAS, the Special Legislative Committee is concerned that witnesses will not provide information and documents without a subpoena compelling their testimony; and

WHEREAS, to ensure the Special Legislative Committee has all necessary tools to discharge their duties in an expeditious manner, the Committee should be granted subpoena authority by the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, NEW YORK COUNTY LAW § 209 and § C23-6 of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER authorizes the County Legislature to issue subpoenas in the course of an investigation and the Legislature may delegate that power to a committee; now, therefore, be it

1st RESOLVED, that the Special Legislative Committee investigating the death of Thomas Valva is hereby empowered to compel the production of books, papers and witnesses related to their investigation; and be it further

2nd RESOLVED, that the Special Legislative Committee is authorized to issue such subpoenas pursuant to a majority vote of the entire membership of said Committee.

DATED: March 17, 2020

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY PURSUANT TO SECTION C2-15(A) OF THE SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER