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Calling all New Yorkers!

There are 3 bills currently in front of the New York City Council

781 "Right to Refill"- Require food service establishments to let you use your reusable beverage cups

69 Get city agencies to stop buying single-use plastic water containers

795 Install more water fountains across the 5 boroughs

which would reduce the city's use of single-use plastic.

These 3 bills will

improve health

reduce litter

and increase affordability

(from a photo by Jonathan Lamb)

but YOUR HELP is needed!

These 3 bills have been introduced to the City Council, but that's just the FIRST STEP.

Image inspired by Schoolhouse Rock!

Bills are MOST SUCCESSFUL when they have MANY council members pushing them forward.

THAT'S WHERE YOU COME IN.

1. Look up your City Council member and their contact info by going to https://council.nyc.gov/districts/

2. Call or email using the script on the next page.

3. Tell someone else to do this, too!

It's as easy as 1-2-3

(Even better, ask them to sign on as a co-sponsor!)

Call or email your City Council member and ask them to support these bills.

Sample script:

Hi, my name is _____ and I'm a constituent of Council Member _____.

I'm contacting you to ask your support of three bills that would reduce single-use plastics in the city.

All three bills will reduce our exposure to the harmful health effects of plastics, help reduce litter in our communities, and save money.

The three bills are: Int. 0781-2026, Int. 0069-2026, and Int. 0795-2026.

Is your office willing to co-sponsor these bills?

WHAT IF I want stay informed about this & other efforts to reduce single-use plastic in NYC?

Go to: https://www.reusablenyc.org

If you'd prefer to read a summary, you can go to: https://www.reusablenyc.org/bills

The same website listed above will let you see the entire text of the bill.

WHAT IF I feel like I need more info before I email/call?

PRO TIP: If so, you can say thanks and then ask them to co-sponsor the others!

Go to https://legistar.council.nyc.gov/LegislationDetail.aspx and type the bill # in the search bar.

WHAT IF I think my City Council member might already be a co-sponsor of one of these bills?