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

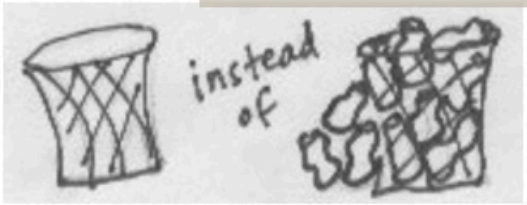
795 Install more
water fountains
across the 5 boroughs

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.

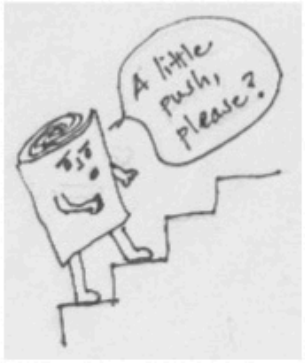


Image inspired by Schoolhouse Rock!

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

THAT'S WHERE YOU COME IN.

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

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

It's as easy as 1-2-3

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!

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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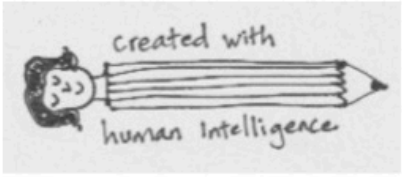
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for others to find!