

Municipal Library Notes - May 2022

SPOTLIGHT ON SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT

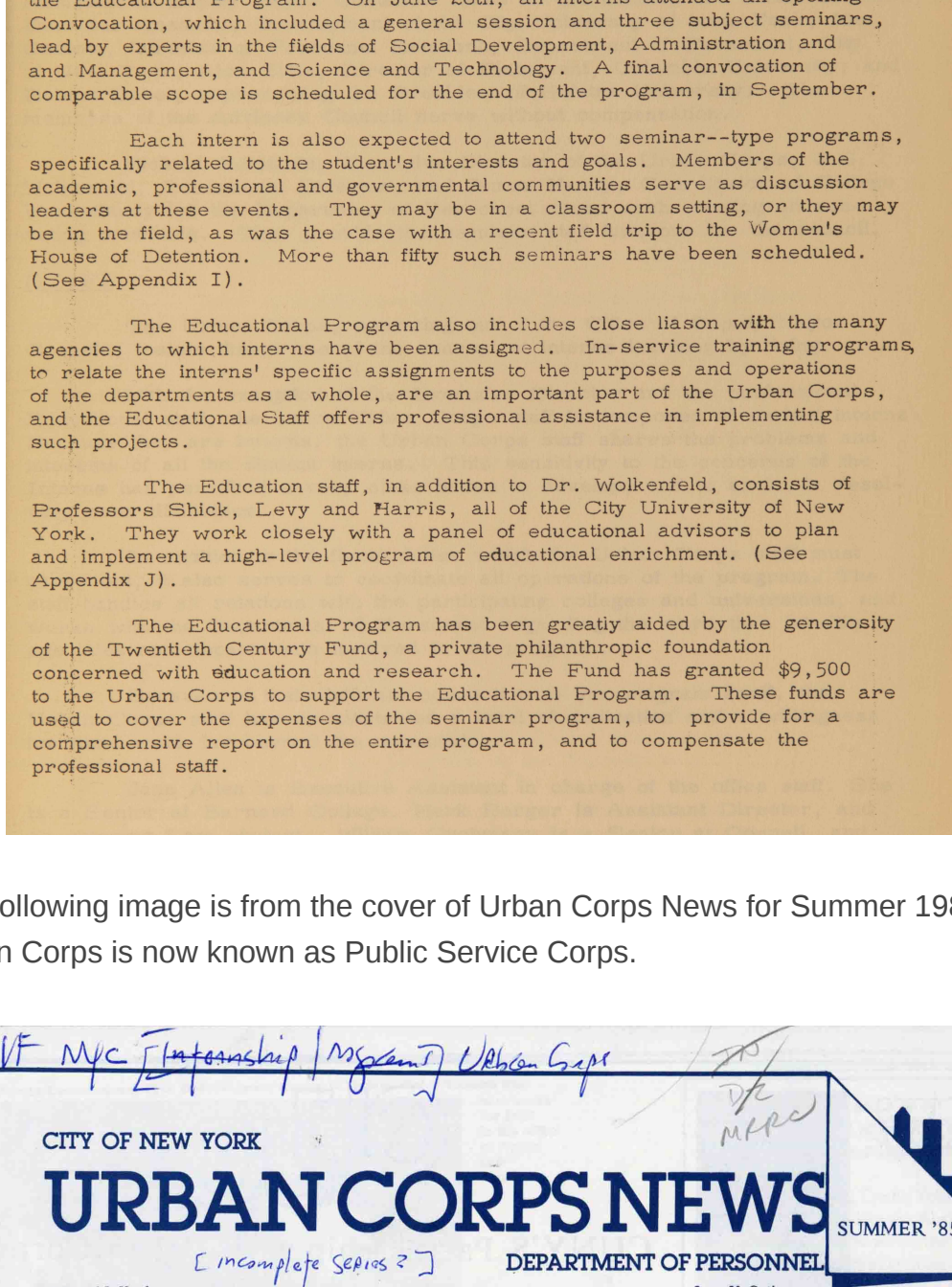
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experience and plot their career paths. Employers can profit

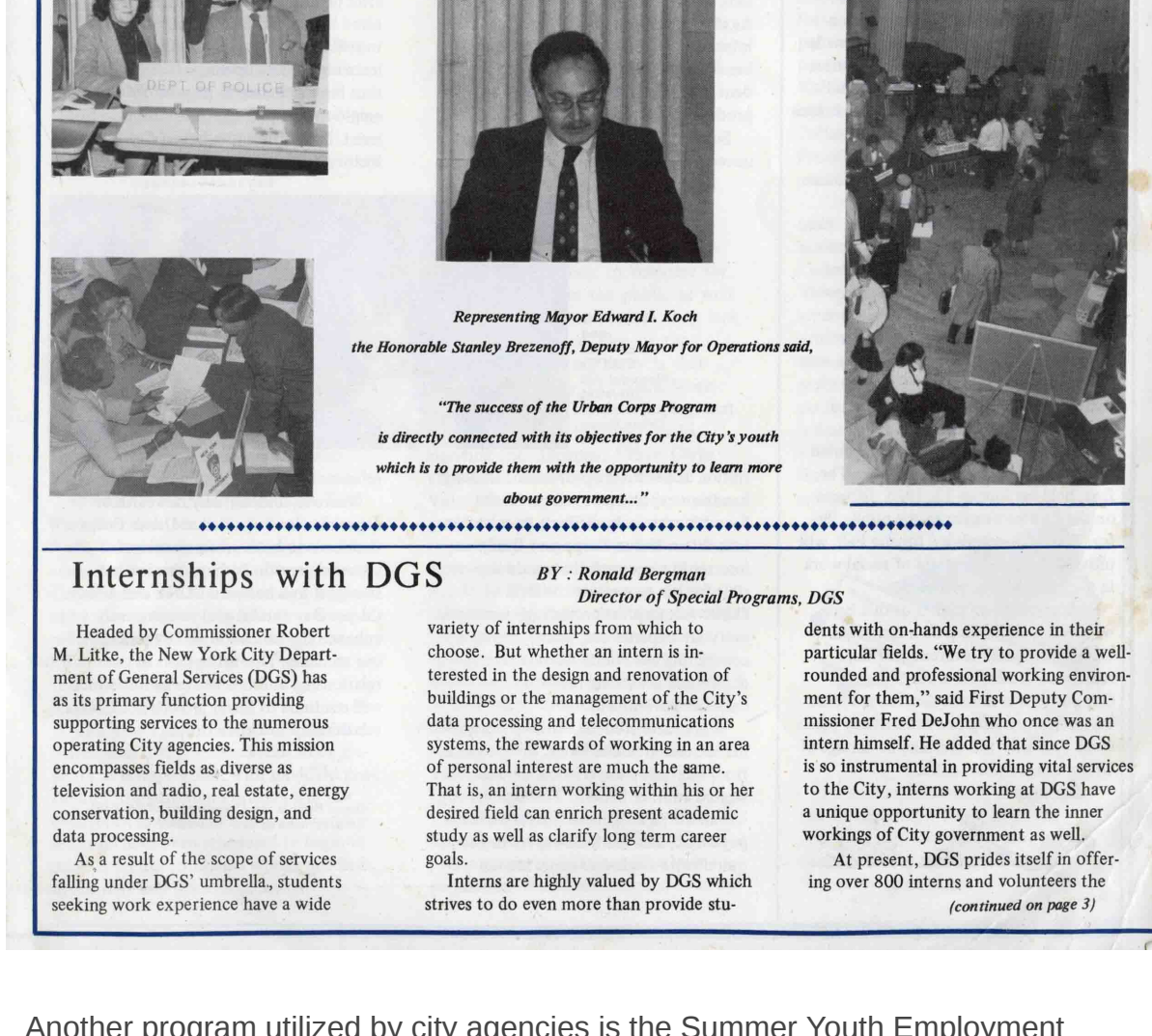
The Urban Corps began with a proposal from Deputy Mayor Timothy Costello in 1965. Costello believed that creating an internship program for college students work in city government would benefit both the interns and the agencies that

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

The Educational Program is an integral part of the Urban Corps. Under the guidance of Dr. J.S. Wolkendoff, the Educational Program seeks to coordinate the interns' first-hand experiences with their educational and vocational goals. The program is designed to supplement, rather than duplicate, the experiences of classroom and work.

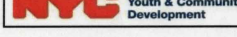


THIRTY-FOUR CITY AGENCIES PARTICIPATED IN THE ANNUAL UC INTERNSHIP FAIR



Program (STEP). Currently, it is administered by Department of Youth and Community Development (DYCD) working with various partner organizations. Here is a page from the DYCD Annual Summary of 2013, giving information on service options available for employing summer interns.

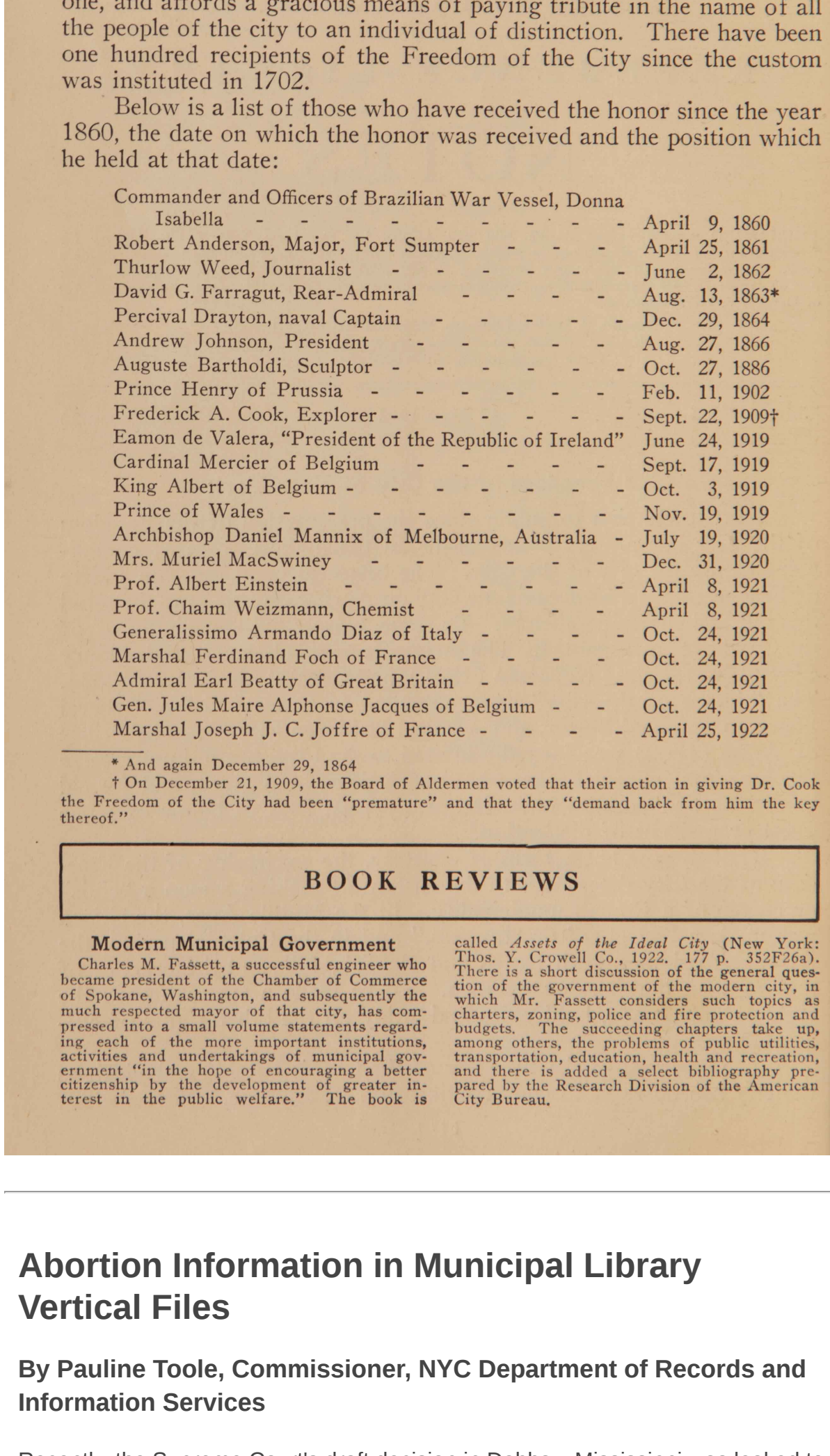
Service Option	Age	Hrs/Wk	Details
Younger Youth	14-15	20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specialized services for program structure, work assignments, financial literacy, and information about workplace health and safety and career development. Mandatory training and orientation for all youth. Mandatory training and orientation for all youth.
Older Youth	16-24	25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Orientation for all youth to include literacy and financial literacy and also may include career preparation, work preparation, and engaging in higher education. Some work opportunities are developed in the nonprofit, public, and private sectors.
Vulnerable Youth	14-24	25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specialized employment services for at-risk/minority, foster care, runaway/homeless, and youth needing protective services for HIV/AIDS, homelessness, or Child Welfare Services. Additional support for all youth possibly to provide counseling, mentoring, and vocational support.
Leaders for Leaders	16-24	25+	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Professional orientation and mentoring program for all youth and college students. Additional support for all youth possibly to provide counseling, mentoring, and vocational support. 16 hours of pre-employment training prior to placement for summer internships.



The Freedom of the City was an award given to individuals to honor their outstanding achievements and contributions to the public good. This custom began in 1702 and the award became known as the Key to the City by the mid-nineteenth century. More information on this custom and a list of some designees is presented in the article from Municipal Library Notes, dated May 10, 1929.

image below presents a list of recipients of Freedom of/Key

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The vertical file drawers of news clippings and agency reports in the Manuscript Library contain four folders about abortion in New York City, including a file from the 1970s.

New York State decriminalized abortion in 1970 by passing a simple law that made abortions provided by a licensed doctor legal within 24 weeks of gestation. Women and their doctors made the decision. State residency was not required.

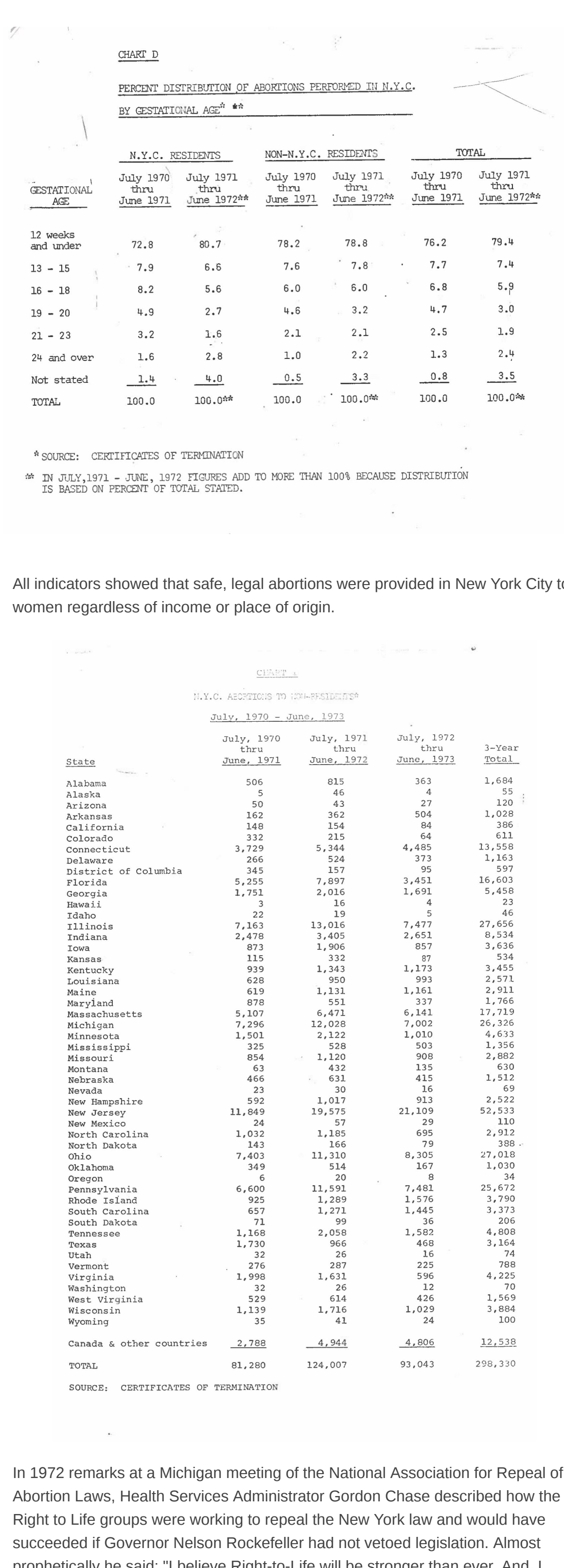
Many people, including leading proponents of legalization and medical professionals predicted that there would be chaos on July 1, when the law took effect. They predicted large numbers of patients would overwhelm the hospital and clinic system. Complicating matters, the City's Board of Health rules had just been published on July 1 and did not take effect until October 19, 1970, creating confusion. Ultimately, the rules established provider qualifications and permitted

pregnancy. Thereafter, the procedure was to occur only in hospitals. The regulations also required birth control information be available for patients.

An article from July 1971 in the Health Department's publication *Family Planning Perspectives* reported that the doomsayers were wrong. "None of these dire

164,300 legal abortions have been performed in New York City in 15 municipal, 52 voluntary, and 37 proprietary hospitals, and in some 18 free-standing clinics." Four out of 10 of these have been performed on New York City residents, largely in municipal and voluntary hospitals, and about 55 percent of resident abortions have been performed on poor women free or at minimal cost.

Charts produced by the Health Department showed that upwards of 76% of abortions occurred in the first trimester. Births to unmarried women dropped for the first time since record-keeping began in 1954. Access to legal abortion impacted the number of “incomplete” abortions—those cases that were self-induced or initiated in unlicensed facilities from 415 a month in 1970 to 220 per



believe they can win unless we begin to fight back really effectively...we were complacent. We sat back and said, "we're on the side of right" and "they can't win." But we were wrong. They almost did win-and would have if not for the Governor's veto after the end of the session. And, it was our complacency, in part, that helped them. Those of us who support abortion must organize now for the uphill fight ahead. Not just for the fight in New York either--but for the fight here in Michigan--in fact, for a fight in every state in the nation."



Do you only envision slavery in the
Mosterman, author of *Spaces for E*


York throughout the 17th and 18th centuries. Mosterman shows that methodical spatial control in New York had much in common with southern plantation societies. In fact, Dutch communities engaged in a daily struggle

Black New Yorkers, who

University of New Orleans and recipient of the 2020 Hendricks Award for her book, will speak at our virtual Lunch & Learn on June 7th from 1pm to 2pm.

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