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**MAYOR ADAMS' STATEMENT ON CITY COUNCIL LAND USE COMMITTEE  
VOTE ON INNOVATION QNS PROJECT**

**NEW YORK** – New York City Mayor Eric Adams today released the following statement after the New York City Council Land Use Committee voted in favor of the Innovation QNS project:

*“Today’s vote is another critical win in the fight against our city’s affordable housing crisis. This project will create nearly 3,200 new homes in Queens, including 1,400 that will be rent-restricted with 500 that will be deeply affordable. In a community with a lower vacancy rate than the rest of the city, creating this kind of affordable housing is a game-changer.*”

*“In just the last week, the city has advanced plans for nearly 8,500 new homes across the city. This is exactly the kind of historic work we must do to tackle the housing shortage at the root of our affordable housing crisis.*”

*“But as this process shows, we need a better system to create new housing and make New York City a true ‘City of Yes.’ My administration is moving forward plans for a citywide zoning text amendment that would help the city truly meet New Yorkers’ housing needs and create new housing across the entire city. We invite all New Yorkers to join us in crafting and advancing that plan.*”

*“I want to thank Council Speaker Adrienne Adams, Land Use Committee Chair Rafael Salamanca and committee members, and Councilmember Julie Won for their partnership in getting this project nearly to the finish line. I look forward to working with them to get it done.”*

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