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## **Sanitation Commissioner names the new Director of the Bureau of Cleaning and Collection**

Sanitation Commissioner Kathryn Garcia has announced the promotion of Edward Grayson to the four-star chief position of Director of the Bureau of Cleaning and Collection (BCC).

As head of the BCC, Chief Grayson, an 18 year veteran of the Department, oversees the policy and management of the Bureau, manages its \$800 million budget, supervises its 7,600 employees, directs the cleaning and snow removal of over 6,300 miles of streets, the servicing of 25,000 litter baskets, and the collection of over 12,000 tons of refuse and recyclables daily from New York City's eight and a half millions residents, as well as the organics collection services to one million City residents.

“Chief Grayson, whose vast knowledge of the Department is extremely well suited to the position of Director of BCC, is an outstanding manager for this Department,” said Sanitation Commissioner Garcia. “Not only does he possess the skill to strategically plan and initiate innovative programs, his ability to motivate staff to do the best job possible makes him an effective leader. He is dedicated to Sanitation’s mission of a clean, healthy, and safe New York City. I’m proud to promote him as a key member of my team.”

Chief Grayson began his career with the Department in 1999 as a Sanitation Worker assigned to the Queens District 3 Garage, which covers Jackson Heights, East Elmhurst, and North Corona. He rose steadily through the ranks to various supervisory positions within BCC field commands, serving as the Deputy Chief of Operations Management Division, the Assistant Chief of Snow Operations, and most recently the Chief of the Bureau Operations Office.

Among his many achievements, Chief Grayson is credited with leading the successful implementation of the Snow Sector Routing methodology to all boroughs this past winter, and playing a key role in the expansion of the Department’s GPS program and the development of PlowNYC, the public website to track the progress of Snow Operations. He recently completed the Senior Executives in State and Local Government Course at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.

Chief Grayson is married with two children and is a Long Island resident.

### **About the New York City Department of Sanitation**

The Department of Sanitation (DSNY) keeps New York City healthy, safe and clean by collecting, recycling and disposing of waste, cleaning streets and vacant lots, and clearing snow and ice. The Department operates 59 district garages and manages a fleet of more than 2,000 rear-loading collection trucks, 450 mechanical brooms and 689 salt/sand spreaders. The Department clears litter, snow and ice from approximately 6,500 miles of City streets and removes debris from vacant lots as well as abandoned vehicles from City streets.