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EVENT DATE: April 14, 2022

NYC DEPARTMENT OF SANITATION TO HOLD WALKOUT CEREMONY FOR RETIRING COMMISSIONER EDWARD GRAYSON

Grayson leaving City service after 23 years with DSNY

The New York City Department of Sanitation, the country's largest municipal waste agency, will hold a ceremonial walkout of its headquarters to honor departing Commissioner Edward Grayson as he concludes his career at the agency. Grayson, a native of Ridgewood, Queens, whose parents both also worked at DSNY, has been with the Department since 1999, working his way up from the back of a collection truck to the role of Commissioner. Grayson has led the agency since September 2020.

DSNY has held walkout ceremonies for its last two Commissioners, in which staff symbolically accompany their Commissioner on his or her final official departure from the building, before returning to their posts serving the people of the City of New York.

WHERE: 125 Worth Street, Manhattan. Media will be able to line up immediately opposite the building on the south side of Worth Street, in Thomas Paine Park.

WHEN: Thursday, April 14th, 2022. Commissioner Grayson will exit the building at approximately 11:45am, make brief remarks, and then depart. There will be no formal Q&A. *This event may be over quickly, and media are encouraged to arrive by 11:30am.*

KEY VISUALS: A large crowd of DSNY employees; the DSNY Pipe and Drum band and Honor Guard; other City employees and past Commissioners

Members of the media are kindly requested to RSVP to pressooffice@dsny.nyc.gov.

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 705 salt 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. The Department runs a portfolio of programs and facilities to help New Yorkers more sustainably manage waste.