***MEDIA ADVISORY***

*Legal Aid, Coalition for the Homeless and Elected Officials to Hold Press Conference Ahead of City Council Hearing on Homeless Shelter Intake Process Demanding Answers from the City on Surging Need for Available Beds*

(NEW YORK, NY) – The Legal Aid Society, the Coalition for the Homeless, elected officials, and others will gather on the steps of City Hall, Tuesday, August 9, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. for a press conference ahead of the New York City Council’s oversight hearing on shelter intake process for homeless families, and demand answers from the City on its plan to address the surge in applications and need for adequate shelter capacity. Advocates will also call on the City to dramatically increase affordable housing development throughout the five boroughs.

The press conference and oversight hearing come in response to a report which revealed that the Adams Administration violated local law and a court order by failing to provide families who arrived at the City’s intake center for homeless families before 10:00 p.m. with appropriate accommodations and left them to sleep on the floor of a City office building.

**What:** Press conference calling for answers from the City on its plan to increase shelter capacity for all New Yorkers, including families seeking asylum, among other demands.

**When:** Tuesday, August 9, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

**Who:** The Legal Aid Society, Coalition for the Homeless, elected officials, and others

**Where:** Steps of City Hall

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