

MEDIA ADVISORY FOR MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 9AM

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G.A.N.G.S. Coalition Rally to Call on City Council to Pass Legislation to Abolish the NYPD Gang Database Ahead of Oversight Hearing on the NYPD's Use of Stop-and-Frisk Policing

(NEW YORK, NY) — The <u>G.A.N.G.S. Coalition</u> will hold a press conference and rally on Monday, December 16th at 9 A.M. on the steps of City Hall ahead of a New York City Council oversight hearing on the New York City Police Department's (NYPD) use of stop-and-frisk policing and other related tactics. Advocates will call on the City Council to pass Intro 798, legislation that would abolish the NYPD's gang database.

A recent <u>report</u> from the Inspector General confirms that the NYPD uses the gang database to surveil Black and Latinx New Yorkers without any concrete evidence. Ninety-nine percent of those listed in the database are from communities of color, perpetuating systemic racism and targeting our communities unfairly.

WHAT: The G.A.N.G.S. Coalition rally to call on the NYC City Council to pass Intro 798, legislation that would abolish the NYPD gang database

WHO: The G.A.N.G.S. Coalition, The Legal Aid Society, Legal Defense Fund, Queens Defenders, electeds

WHEN: Monday, December 16th at 9 A.M.

WHERE: Steps of City Hall