



## **Hotel and hospitality professionals rally in opposition to Intro 991 - Safe Hotels Act**

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Manhattan, NY Over 1,000 hotel and hospitality professionals took part in a rally and press conference on the steps of City Hall in opposition to Intro 991 – the “Safe Hotels Act”– prior to the City Council’s stated meeting on September 12 at 9:00 a.m.

The Protect NYC Tourism Coalition includes members of the Coalition for Hotel Subcontractors, the Hotel Association of New York City, the Asian American Hotel Owners Association, the NYC Minority Hotel Association, the American Hotel & Lodging Association, and the National Association of Black Hotel Owners, Operators and Developers, as well as numerous other groups.

At the same time hundreds of hotel employees, subcontractors and others will rally in City Hall Park, urging the City Council to kill the bill and preserve their jobs. The rally will begin prior to the press conference and also continue after it concludes.

Intro 991 poses a devastating impact to the city’s economy. This bill mandates arbitrary workplace rules that will add significant costs to hotels, jeopardizing their ability to operate, and putting the hundreds of thousands of New Yorkers whose jobs are supported by hotels at risk, all while straining the tourism industry and threatening the estimated \$5 billion in tax revenue it brings to the city each year. Scores of hotels are expected to close if this legislation becomes law.

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