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Senate Deputy Leader Gianaris Expresses Opposition To NYCHA's Current "Blueprint" Plan

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NEW YORK – Senate Deputy Leader Michael Gianaris criticized NYCHA's latest turnaround effort in testimony delivered to the agency as they review the *Blueprint for Change: Transformation Plan*. Senator Gianaris, who represents the Queensbridge, Ravenswood, and Astoria Houses NYCHA developments, expressed concern over the new ownership model, including the proposed Housing Preservation Trust, and the limited public engagement

around the plan to date.

Senate Deputy Leader Michael Gianaris said, “This plan was developed without sufficient input from NYCHA residents and creates too much uncertainty about the future of our public housing stock and how it would be managed. The desperation to do what is necessary to fix NYCHA should not lead to the adoption of a plan that could make things worse if not developed properly.”

Senator Gianaris' full testimony can be found [here](#).

In recent weeks, Senator Gianaris met with numerous NYCHA tenants and leaders who fear NYCHA's *Blueprint for Change* plan could push them out of their homes.