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United Neighborhood Houses Statement on the Election of Incoming New York City Mayor Eric Adams

New York – November 3, 2021 – In response to the election of incoming New York City Mayor Eric Adams, <u>United Neighborhood Houses</u> Executive Director Susan Stamler commented:

"United Neighborhood Houses congratulates Eric Adams on his election victory to become the next Mayor of the City of New York. A new mayoral administration brings with it an exciting and important opportunity to renew New York City's commitment to building strong neighborhoods. Progress and equity in our city depend on ensuring that all New Yorkers have the supports they need to thrive. Settlement houses know that we must address inequity and promote connections by keeping families housed and employed, children healthy and educated, and older people cared for and engaged.

"As was demonstrated on the campaign trail and through his platform, Mayor-elect Adams shares a commitment to helping all New Yorkers reach their potential. We urge the incoming Adams Administration to prioritize the needs of New York City individuals and families, to make government systems work better for settlement houses providing key services, and to support the human services workforce throughout the five boroughs."

"We look forward to working with Mayor-elect Adams to chart a course toward making New York City neighborhoods the resilient, thriving centers of community life they can and should be."

United Neighborhood Houses (UNH) is a policy and social change organization representing 45 neighborhood settlement houses that reach 765,000 New Yorkers from all walks of life. A progressive leader for more than 100 years, UNH is stewarding a new era for New York's settlement house movement. We mobilize our members and their communities to advocate for good public policies and promote strong organizations and practices that keep neighborhoods resilient and thriving for all New Yorkers. UNH leads advocacy and partners with our members on a broad range of issues including civic and community engagement, neighborhood affordability, healthy aging, early childhood education, adult literacy, and youth development. We also provide customized professional development and peer learning to build the skills and leadership capabilities of settlement house staff at all levels. For more information, visit http://www.unhny.org/.

