New York City Fails to Protect New Yorkers' PPP/PEC Rights Yet City Leaders Hand Over Nearly \$1 BILLION Annually To the PPP/PEC Institutions with a Wink-and-a-Nod

Through its <u>Cultural Institutions Unit</u> [CIG] New York City's Department of Cultural Affairs [DCA] oversees the operations, including funding for capital and expense budgets, of 34 member-institutions making up DCA's CIGs. Fourteen of the 17 PPP/PEC institutions are members of CIGs. MCNY is a CIGs member. Examples of New York City's failed oversight is reported in <u>LIST</u> <u>OF REFERENCES – MCNY</u> Section E. 7. to 9. below.

The Facts of the PPP	The Failure of DCA's Oversight
See: DCA's "Procedures Manual" [2005].	MCNY offers discounted tickets to specific cohorts of visitors, and in effect its policy
DCA describes the prerequisite for ticket pricing to qualify for City funding [p. 15] as follows:	does not reach a "broad spectrum" of New Yorkers as is a pre-requisite to receiving City funding in accordance with DCA's "Procedures Manual."
"In order to demonstrate commitment to its public service mandate, the Institution should maintain fee and ticket prices that are accessible to a broad spectrum of New Yor City's population. Institutions should provide free or reduced-price programming to the public on a periodic basis." [emphasis added]	

New Yorkers subsidize the PEC institutions in an amount approximating \$1 BILLION annually, yet DCA's "Procedures Manual" is silent on the PEC's mandate to provide free admission.