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## **Mayoral Control of NYC Schools: Extend it? End it? Change it?** **Queens Civic Congress February 2 Forum on discusses School Governance**

As the State Legislature and Governor weigh and extension of mayoral control of New York City public schools, Queens Civic Congress offers a [panel](#) today, Monday February 2, 2009 at 8:00 p.m. to help suggest some answers, announced President Corey Bearak. The borough-wide coalition of 110 civic and condo, cooperative, tenant and other community organizations presents “Mayoral Control of NYC Schools: Extend it? End it? Change it?” at Queens County Farm Museum, 72-50 Little Neck Parkway [¼ mile north of Union Tpke.] in Bellerose.

The program, coordinated by Queens Civic Congress Vice President and Education Chair Edwin Westley, includes a panel moderated by Liz Green of Gotham Schools: Dina Paul Parks, Senior Policy Advisor to Deputy Mayor for Education and Community Development; Carmen Alvarez, UFT Vice-President for Special Education and Co-chairperson of the UFT Governance Task Force; Phyliss Bullion, Council of Supervisors & Administrators; Leonie Haimson, Executive Director, Class Size Matters; April Humphrey, Campaign for Better Schools; and Rob Caloras, President, District 26 Community Education Council.

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[Advisory Summary follows below]

**WHO:** Queens Civic Congress, Dina Paul Parks, Senior Policy Advisor to Deputy Mayor for Education and Community Development; Carmen Alvarez, UFT Vice-President for Special Education and Co-chair, UFT Governance Task Force; Phyliss Bullion, Council of Supervisors & Administrators; Leonie Haimson, Executive Director, Class Size Matters; April Humphrey, Campaign for Better Schools; Rob Caloras, President, District 26 Community Education Council; Liz Green, Gotham Schools

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