

No more SNOW JOBS

THERE'S A BETTER WAY to close the budget gap than cutting public services and firing thousands of workers: Collect the neglected business taxes, reduce the cost of contracting out, and cut the patronage jobs and excessive salaries in the Mayor's office.

Mayor Bloomberg says there's just no money and we have no choice but to cut vital services — pothole repairs, schools, libraries, hospitals, rat control and child abuse prevention — and fire thousands of public service workers.

This is a SNOW JOB. We have had enough!

- The Mayor announced cuts of 12% in city agency budgets for fiscal years 2010-'11, while he increased contracting costs by 27 percent in the last fiscal year. Spending snowballed 1,000% on the CityTime payroll project, where the feds just arrested outside consultants for stealing \$80 million. The cost overruns alone on CityTime and the 9-1-1 project top \$1 billion.
- Working and middle class New Yorkers pay higher transit fares, sales and property taxes, rent and water fees, while even strip clubs get tax breaks as the city neglects over \$200 million a year in available, recurring tax revenue from big businesses.
- The Mayor rewarded some of his campaign workers with high-paid city jobs at the taxpayers' expense, gave them raises of up to 20% after only

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six months on the job, and padded his office with outrageous expenses — including three executive chefs for \$245,000 a year of tax money.

We call for fiscally sound ALTERNATIVES:

- Cut the outside contracts. The City Council should use its authority under the City Charter to cut payments to contractors by 10%, as Los Angeles and Chicago have done.
- Collect the \$200 million in taxes the city is owed by big businesses. Hire more Tax Assessors and Auditors to maximize revenue.
- Pass legislation requiring real job creation for any tax incentives.
- End the patronage payoffs and fat salaries in the Mayor's office.

YOU can make a difference

Call the Mayor at 212-788-3000 and City Council Speaker Christine Quinn at 212-788-7100. Tell them to end the service cuts and layoffs and bring in the revenue, make consultants and contractors reduce their prices, and cut the fat in the mayor's office.