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FORMER BRONX BOROUGH PRESIDENT RUBÉN DÍAZ JR. AND BRONX HIP HOP LEGEND FAT JOE HEADLINE LEHMAN LECTURE

2024 Herbert H. Lehman Memorial Lecture Brings Together Two Icons to Discuss
Trailblazing Contributions to the Community

WHO: Rubén Díaz Jr., and Fat Joe

WHAT: The 2024 Herbert H. Lehman Memorial Lecture: Hip Hop With A Heart, The
Civic Mind of The Bronx

WHERE: Lehman College Lovinger Theatre
250 Bedford Park Blvd West

WHEN: Tuesday, March 26, at 11 a.m.

The Bronx, NY—The 54th Herbert H. Lehman Memorial Lecture brings together former Bronx Borough President, Rubén Díaz and Hip Hop legend and entrepreneur Fat Joe to talk about their professional journeys, experiences growing up in the Bronx, and their ongoing commitment to making the Bronx a better place. The talk, on Tuesday, March 26 at 11 a.m. in the College’s Lovinger Theatre will be followed by questions and answers with Lehman students.

“The Herbert H. Lehman Memorial Lecture celebrates the people who dedicate their life and career to public service and social justice,” said Lehman College President Fernando Delgado. “Rubén Díaz Jr. and Fat Joe have always strived to create positive change within the community echoing the College’s dedication to fostering a community-driven and engaged environment for our students.”

Both Díaz Jr. and Fat Joe have paved their own unique paths in politics and music, respectively. As a Lehman alumnus and member of the Herbert H. Lehman College Foundation Board of Directors, Díaz Jr. has been an advocate and force for change in the Bronx. He served as Bronx Borough President for 12 years, where he led an unprecedented revival of the Bronx in areas of economic development, job creation,



health, and housing. Currently, he is the senior vice president of Strategic Initiatives at Montefiore Einstein.

Fat Joe is a Grammy-nominated recording artist who has been involved in various philanthropic efforts and community initiatives in his hometown. With an acclaimed four-decade career, he has made a positive impact on the community through numerous donations and fundraisers.

About Lehman College

A perennial national leader in promoting social mobility, Lehman College of The City University of New York serves as an intellectual, economic, and cultural center for the Bronx, New York City, and beyond. The college - which sits on a tree-lined 37-acre campus – supports more than 13,000 undergraduate and graduate students, another 14,000 students in continuing and professional programs, and over 90,000 alumni. As a federally designated Hispanic-Serving Institution in the Bronx, Lehman College educates a diverse population of students. The college offers bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees as well as certificate programs in the liberal arts, sciences, and professions.

About Herbert H. Lehman Memorial Lecture

The annual Herbert H. Lehman Memorial Lecture celebrates the birth of the College's namesake, Herbert H. Lehman, a former New York State governor and senator, who dedicated his life and career to public service and social justice. The lecture is delivered by individuals who embody these same qualities. Since 1970, the Herbert H. Lehman Memorial Lecture has presented speakers from across the public and private sectors including U.S. Senator and presidential candidate George McGovern; Jill Abramson, the first female executive editor of The New York Times; Ban Ki-Moon, Secretary-General of the United Nations; Margarita Cedeño de Lizardo, former Vice President and former First Lady of the Dominican Republic; U.S Senator Albert Gore Sr.; U.S. Congresswoman Geraldine A. Ferraro; and New York Attorney General Letitia James.