

**NYC Community Board 12, Manhattan
Housing and Human Services Committee
530 West 166th Street – Sixth Floor
New York, NY 10032**

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE COMMUNITY BOARD 12, MANHATTAN MEMBERSHIP ON
“THE NYC ALLIANCE TO PRESERVE PUBLIC HOUSING”**

WHEREAS, the Housing and Human Services Committee heard expert testimony from the Community Service Society and the NYC Housing Authority (NYCHA) on several key issues related to public housing in New York City; and

WHEREAS, Information was also presented on the NYC Alliance to Preserve Public Housing, a collaboration of resident leaders/organizations, housing advocates, and concerned elected officials to press for policies to strengthen our public housing communities and extend housing opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the NYC Alliance to Preserve Public Housing seeks stronger resident and community voice in government decisions that affect NYCHA communities as well as greater openness and accountability when Alliance members critically review and are allowed to respond to NYCHA’s Draft Fiscal Year Plans; and

WHEREAS, the Alliance produces an annual position paper that describes key issues identified in that fiscal year plan and puts forward joint recommendations and concerns from the views of its members on matters such as NYCHA’s need to retain all its operating revenues, a halt to the current “Infill Land Lease Plan”, making progress with a variety of binding agreements on a “Moving-to-Work (MTW)” program, addressing Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher cuts, keeping NYCHA Centers open, and retaining NYCHA Jobs; and

WHEREAS, the interests of Community District 12 residents who lived in NYCHA properties need to be protected and a voice on these matters presented and heard; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, Community Board 12, Manhattan recommends that it seek membership in the NYC Alliance to Preserve Public Housing whose members already include the Manhattan Borough President and several City Council members, and be it further

RESOLVED, Community Board 12, Manhattan recommends that on consensus issues that it retains the right to express both agreement and difference as per the board’s bylaws, resolutions passed, and policies.

Committee Vote (4-0-0)

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Lewis

Chair - HHS Committee

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