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July 5, 2011

Hon. Kate D. Levin
Commissioner
NYC Department of Cultural Affairs
31 Chambers Street
New York, NY 10007

Hon. Margaret Forgione
Manhattan Borough Commissioner
NYC Department of Transportation
59 Maiden Lane, 37th floor
New York, NY 10038

Dear Commissioners:

Please be advised Community Board 12, Manhattan passed the following resolution, opposing a "Percent for Art" Installation in Plaza de Americas / W. 175th Street at its June 28, 2011 meeting, with 30 votes in favor, none opposed, and one abstention.

Whereas: the New York City Department of Transportation's (DOT) Plaza de Americas project on West 175th Street between Broadway and Wadsworth Avenue includes a public art project through the Department of Cultural Affairs' "Percent for Art" program; and

Whereas: DOT's selection process did not include any outreach to the Northern Manhattan arts community; and

Whereas: DOT proposed an installation of art for public approval at a June 6th joint meeting of the Traffic & Transportation and Parks & Cultural Affairs Committees, with no prior notice and without a sufficient timeframe for public review or meaningful public input; and

Whereas: the proposed sculpture bears no contextual relationship to the site and does not otherwise provide an artistic "sense of place"; and

Whereas: people can (and do) disagree on subjective aesthetic judgments but the opinion of the proposed installation ranges from mere tolerance to strong dislike, with no member of the community expressing affinity for the installation on aesthetic grounds; now, therefore, be it

Resolved: Community Board 12, Manhattan objects to the installation of the sculpture proposed at the June 6th joint meeting of the Traffic & Transportation and Parks & Cultural Affairs Committees; and be it further

Resolved: Community Board 12, Manhattan calls upon DCA to work with the Community Board, the Northern Manhattan Arts Alliance (NoMAA) and the Washington Heights/Inwood arts community to identify a more contextually appropriate commission to be sited in the Plaza de Americas pursuant to a more inclusive public process.

Sincerely,


for Pamela Palanque – North
Chair

cc: Hon. Scott Stringer, Manhattan Borough President
Hon. Adriano Espaillat, NYS Senator
Hon. Herman D. Farrell, Jr., NYS Assembly Member
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Landmarks Preservation Commission
Municipal Building
1 Centre Street, 9th Floor
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Hon. Margaret Forgione
Commissioner
NYC Department of Transportation
New York, NY 10041

Dear Commissioners:

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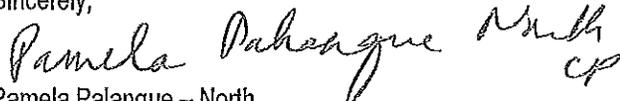
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Cc: Hon. Michael Bloomberg, Mayor
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Hon. Jose E. Serrano, Congressman
Hon. Eric Schneiderman, Attorney General
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Hon. Bill Perkins, State Senator
Hon. Jose M. Serrano, State Senator
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Commissioner
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Dear Commissioner Forgione:

Please be advised that at the General Board Meeting of Community Board 12- Manhattan, held on Tuesday, June 28 2011, passed a resolution with a unanimous vote of 33-0-0 on Bike Lanes in CB12 Manhattan.

Whereas: CB12 Manhattan's Traffic and Transportation committee held a bike lane forum on June 16, 2011 to educate the community about bike lanes as well as to understand the community's needs, goals, and concerns regarding bike lanes within CB12M; and

Whereas: Presentations were made by the NYC Departments of Transportation and Parks and Recreation, bicycle/safety education experts, advocates for transportation alternatives, and another Community Board in Manhattan, all of whom discussed various aspects of bike lane implementations, including the experience of other NYC communities' experience with newly-installed bike lanes and the discussion of the possibility of future projects in NYC and CB12; and

Whereas: Residents of CB12 suggested ways to improve current bike lanes and paths within our community's parks and streets enjoyed the support from those in attendance in addition to a petition signed by 1,300 residents of CB12; and

Whereas: Many community members requested a better solution than the present state of entry from the Westside Greenway up to 181st Street against traffic with no existing bike path; and

Whereas: The traffic and transportation committee is aware that many of our avenues are narrow and congested with both car and pedestrian traffic, and that parking spots are at a premium; now therefore be it

Resolved: That CB12 Manhattan requests the NYC Department of Transportation to conduct a thorough study of the district's streets and to report back to the board on the possibilities of all of the items below but not exclusive of

- Connecting the Hudson/West and Harlem/East Greenways with safe bike lanes, on or near Dyckman Street
- Improving bike and pedestrian access to George Washington Bridge, Henry Hudson Bridge, and the Broadway Bridge.
- Improving access to 181st Street from the Westside Greenway

- Connecting existing bike lanes and creating safe ways for cyclists to move uptown, downtown, and across town
- Better signage for the location of bike lanes and access to bike lanes
- Look innovatively at parking in CB12 and to find ways of adding more parking spots especially adjacent to streets that may lose parking spots in relation to bike lanes
- Improve education as to how all community members share the streets together, whether they be pedestrians, cyclists, or motor vehicles
- Examine areas poorly paved which make it difficult to traverse for both vehicle operators and cyclists alike
- Work together with the Parks Department's proposed twenty-year plan for Northern Manhattan Parks in relation to bike lanes and to consider connecting bike lanes located on Park property with those on our streets.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions on this matter.

Sincerely,


Pamela Palanque-North
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cc: Hon. Michael J. Bloomberg, Mayor
Hon. Scott M. Stringer, Manhattan Borough President
Hon. Bill De Blasio, Public Advocate
Hon. John C. Lui, Comptroller
Hon. Charles B. Rangel, Congressman
Hon. Bill Perkins, NY State Senator
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July 6, 2011

Hon Adrian Benepe, Commissioner
The Arsenal – Central Park
830 5th Avenue
New York, NY 10065

Dear Commissioner Benepe:

Please be advised that at the General Meeting of Community Board 12 Manhattan held on Tuesday, June 28, 2011 a resolution was passed unanimously with 30 votes in support of a resolution approving of the Parks Department's 20-year Master Plan for Northern Manhattan parks:

Whereas: The Department of Parks & Recreation has developed a 20-year master plan for northern Manhattan's parks through an open, highly responsive and ongoing process which included many meetings and workshops in the community, with Community Board 12, Manhattan, with various park users, groups and stakeholders and with elected officials as well as input from correspondence, e-mails, phone calls and an interactive on-line process to gather ideas for park uses and priorities; and

Whereas: The master plan includes many projects that are already funded and are in the pipeline, such as the restoration and reopening of the historic High Bridge, and also looks ahead to propose new projects to continue to improve parks throughout the community; and

Whereas: Northern Manhattan is more than 40% parkland – more than any other community district in the borough – with miles of shoreline, a lighthouse, a water tower, historic houses, recreation centers, old-growth forest, and unique geological features such as glacial potholes; and

Whereas: Linking the 30 park sites in Northern Manhattan into an open space network and working with the community and other agencies will create stronger and safer connections between them; and

Whereas: Only half of Northern Manhattan residents gets sufficient exercise, and a disproportionately high percentage of its residents suffers from such chronic conditions such as diabetes, which could be prevented, reversed or at least mitigated if the parks and the recreation centers were improved for better utilization; and

Whereas: There are many specific unmet needs in Northern Manhattan's parks, including availability of water *within* the parks (e.g., fountains, hoses, spigots, bathrooms), storage, and work space for the Parks Enforcement Patrol, maintenance and other staff, as well as many opportunities for improved programming in and access to all of northern Manhattan's parks; and

Whereas: The plan reflects the strong desire in the community for more recreational waterfront opportunities, and ways creatively to use and explore the many miles of shoreline in Community District 12; and

- Whereas: It is desirable to activate parks as the plan proposes through creative programming and constructive use and to make them accessible for biking, running, maintenance vehicles and patrol cars to increase use and public safety; and
- Whereas: The plan's emphasis on prioritizing forestry management, especially reducing the problem of invasive plants, vines and self-seeded trees, and opening up views into and out of public parks will make them safer and more welcoming; now therefore be it
- Resolved: Community Board 12, Manhattan supports the Department of Parks & Recreation's proposed 20-year master plan for northern Manhattan parks as a guideline to prioritize projects and capital spending over the next two decades; and be it further
- Resolved: Community Board 12, Manhattan urges the Department of Parks & Recreation to work together with the NYC Department of Transportation in relation to bike lanes and to consider how best to connect bike paths located within parks to bike lanes on our streets; and be it further
- Resolved: Community Board 12, Manhattan calls upon the New York City Public Design Commission to approve this proposal; and be it further
- Resolved: Community Board 12, Manhattan calls upon its elected representatives to fund capital projects and programs consistent with the goals and priorities set forth herein and in that plan.

Please let me know if I can provide any additional assistance in this regard.

Sincerely,


for Pamela Palanque-North
Chair

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Hon. Margaret Forgione
Manhattan Borough Commissioner
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59 Maiden Lane, 37th floor
New York, NY 10038

Dear Commissioner Forgione:

Please be advised Community Board 12, Manhattan passed the following resolution in support of Yeshiva University's proposal for a "restricted use" designation of W. 185th Street at its June 28, 2011 meeting, with 30 votes in favor, none opposed, and one abstaining.

- Whereas: West 185th Street between Audubon and Amsterdam Avenues is a "limited use" street, having been closed since 1987 to "through" traffic every day between 8am – 11pm; and
- Whereas: Community Board 12, Manhattan's Committees on Traffic & Transportation and Parks & Cultural Affairs heard a presentation by Yeshiva University on a long-term proposal to convert West 185th Street between Audubon and Amsterdam Avenues into a "restricted use" street, with landscaped sitting areas for public enjoyment; and
- Whereas: the block in question has no residential frontage, all of the buildings are owned or used by Yeshiva University, and Yeshiva's parking lot on the block also can be accessed from W. 184th Street; and
- Whereas: the "restricted use" street still would accommodate emergency services vehicles and all utility access, would result in no loss of parking, and cause little disruption of local traffic patterns; and
- Whereas: the creation of a new public green space is consistent with the overall goals of the 20-year Master Plan for northern Manhattan presented earlier in the Parks Committee portion of that same meeting; now, therefore, be it
- Resolved: Community Board 12, Manhattan supports the change from "limited" to "restricted use" of West 185th Street between Audubon & Amsterdam Avenues; and be it further
- Resolved: Community Board 12, Manhattan supports Yeshiva University's efforts to raise funds to bring its proposed vision for a West 185th Street Plaza to fruition.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions on this matter.

Sincerely,


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Chair

cc: Hon. Scott M. Stringer, Manhattan Borough President
Hon. Adriano Espaillat, NYS Senator
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Hon. Guillermo Linares, NYS Assembly Member
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Hon. Adrian Benepe
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830 Fifth Avenue
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Dear Commissioner Tierney:

At its June 28, 2011 general meeting, Community Board 12, Manhattan unanimously passed (28 votes) a resolution supporting New York City Department of Parks & Recreation's proposed signage in Highbridge Park for the Old Croton Aqueduct as follows:

- Whereas: The Department of Parks & Recreation is seeking approval to install a series of 13 historical signs along the Old Croton Aqueduct Trail from the city line in The Bronx down to the site of an old reservoir in present-day Bryant Park; and
- Whereas: The Old Croton Aqueduct, as the signs state, was built between 1836-42 and "profoundly changed New York City by providing clean water from the Croton River in northern Westchester County" in place of "limited and heavily polluted water from local wells, springs and ponds, which contributed to unsanitary living conditions, the spread of infectious diseases and fire damage;" and
- Whereas: The aqueduct "was a magnificent example of 19th century American engineering, using gravity to carry water through a brick tunnel for over 40 miles. It allowed New York City to grow and prosper, and remained in use until 1955;" and
- Whereas: The landmark High Bridge was built as the final link in the aqueduct, and two of these signs therefore are proposed for Highbridge Park, one in the plaza on the Manhattan side of the bridge and the other one on Edgecombe Avenue above West 158th Street, near where the trail leaves the park; and
- Whereas: Each sign will include three acrylic panels that will feature a brief history of the Old Croton Aqueduct, maps showing the full length of the Aqueduct and the section within the city and historical images related to the specific sites where the signs are located; and
- Whereas: The panels are fade-resistant, vandal-resistant (paint does not adhere to them) and easily can be cleaned but might offer a hiding place within the curve of any of its three sides; and
- Whereas: These signs are attractive, are highly readable and will increase the public's appreciation of Highbridge Park by conveying important educational and historical information; now, therefore, be it

- Resolved: Community Board 12, Manhattan endorses the Department of Parks & Recreation's plan to install the two historical signs for the Old Croton Aqueduct Trail in Highbridge Park; and be it further
- Resolved: Community Board 12, Manhattan recommends these signs have a 6"-8" gap between the ground and the bottom of the sign to allow all to see if anyone is standing within and otherwise obscured by the curve of the sign; and be it further
- Resolved: Community Board 12, Manhattan calls upon the New York City Landmarks Preservation Commission to approve this proposal.

Sincerely,

Pamela Palanque North
Pamela Palanque – North CP
Chair

cc: Hon. Michael J. Bloomberg, Mayor
Hon. Scott Stringer, Manhattan Borough President
Hon. Adriano Espaillat, State Senator
Hon. Herman D. Farrell, Jr., Assembly Member
Hon. Guillermo Linares, Assembly Member
Hon. Robert Jackson, Council Member
Hon. Ydanis Rodriguez, Council Member
Hon. William T. Castro, Borough Commissioner, DPR
Jennifer Hoppa, Northern Manhattan Parks Administrator
Sarah Carroll, Preservation Department, Landmarks Preservation Commission
Charlotte Fahn, Friends of the Old Croton Aqueduct



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Hon. Margaret Forgione
Commissioner
NYC Department of Transportation
New York, NY 10041

Dear Commissioner Forgione:

Please be advised that at the General Board Meeting of Community Board 12- Manhattan, held on Tuesday, June 28 2011, passed a resolution Supporting Yeshiva University's Proposal for a "Restricted Use" Designation of W. 185th Street with a vote of 30-0-1.

Whereas: West 185th Street between Audubon and Amsterdam Avenues is a "limited use" street, having been closed since 1987 to "through" traffic every day between 8am – 11pm; and

Whereas: Community Board 12, Manhattan's Committees on Traffic & Transportation and Parks & Cultural Affairs heard a presentation by Yeshiva University on a long-term proposal to convert West 185th Street between Audubon and Amsterdam Avenues into a "restricted use" street, with landscaped sitting areas for public enjoyment; and

Whereas: the block in question has no residential frontage, all of the buildings are owned or used by Yeshiva University, and Yeshiva's parking lot on the block also can be accessed from W. 184th Street; and

Whereas: the "restricted use" street still would accommodate emergency services vehicles and all utility access, would result in no loss of parking, and cause little disruption of local traffic patterns; and

Whereas: the creation of a new public green space is consistent with the overall goals of the 20-year Master Plan for northern Manhattan presented earlier in the Parks Committee portion of that same meeting; now, therefore, be it

Resolved: Community Board 12, Manhattan supports the change from "limited" to "restricted use" of West 185th Street between Audubon & Amsterdam Avenues; and be it further

Resolved: Community Board 12, Manhattan supports YU's efforts to raise funds to bring its proposed vision for a West 185th Street Plaza to fruition.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions on this matter.

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CP

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New York, NY 10041

Dear Commissioner Forgione:

Please be advised that at the General Board Meeting of Community Board 12- Manhattan, held on Tuesday, June 28, 2011, passed a resolution with a vote of 31-2-0 regarding proposed changes to W. 181st Street for Enhanced Safety & Improved Traffic Flow.

Whereas: The Department of Transportation has engaged in a forty month long study of the 181st Street corridor, including adjacent intersections to the north and south, and has had many meetings beginning on February 25th 2008, including many meetings with the community, elected officials and the 181st Street Business Improvement District, concluding with a presentation at the June 6th meeting of Community Board 12M's Traffic & Transportation Committee; and

Whereas: DOT's proposed plan changes seeks to manage traffic operation while increasing pedestrian safety, enhancing the movement of goods and people, mitigating double-parking, and preserving on-street metered parking, and to this end would include the addition of some bus lanes and loading-zone parking, and preserving metered parking (using muni-meters, not individually metered spaces) in most blocks, extending curbs to shorten crossing distances, preserving two-way traffic flow, and adding dedicated left lanes; and

Whereas: All loading areas would be timed to coincide with street cleaning regulations to mitigate potentially confusing signage, the phase-in of all new regulations would include an extensive public education and outreach and relaxed enforcement so as not to punish drivers for whom the new regulations would be unfamiliar; and

Whereas: DOT has agreed to revisit St. Nicholas Avenue near 181st Street to assess traffic volume with respect to the possible reduction of the number of lanes in the two to three blocks north and south W. 181st Street and the possible addition of a pedestrian islands in the blocks north and the block south of 181st Street; now therefore be it

Resolved That Community Board 12, Manhattan prefers to delay making a conclusive decision at this point in time, until other traffic improvements are implemented, regarding the proposed pedestrian islands on St. Nicholas Avenue between 181st & 182nd and 181st &

180th Streets, with the concomitant reduction of lanes on St. Nicholas Avenue for 2 to 3 blocks north and south of the proposed islands; and be it further

Resolved

That Community Board 12, Manhattan supports DOT's proposed plan to change traffic patterns of W. 181st Street as presented at the June 6th meeting of the Traffic & Transportation Committee, including:

- Addition of left-turn bays at Broadway, Wadsworth Avenue and Audubon Avenue at W. 181st Street and at northbound Fort Washington Avenue at W. 179th Street.
- Elimination of left-turns at W. 181st Street & Saint Nicholas Avenue and from northbound Amsterdam Avenue onto W. 181st Street.
- Prohibitions of all turns from St. Nicholas Avenue at 181st Street.
- Delivery/Loading windows at the northeast corner of W. 181st St. & Cabrini Blvd., the northwest and southeast corners of W. 181st St. & Fort Washington Ave., the south side of W. 181st St. opposite the west side of Bennett Ave., the northwest corner of W. 181st Street and Wadsworth Avenue, the south side of W. 181st Street from Wadsworth Avenue to Saint Nicholas Avenue, mid-block on the south side of W. 181st Street between Saint Nicholas and Audubon Avenues, and the northwest corner of W. 181st Street and Audubon Avenue for not more than three hours per day.
- Removal of a Taxi/FHV stand and 5 parking spaces, including an early AM loading zone on south side of 181st between Bennett & Broadway to accommodate a shared eastbound through and right-turn lane and an exclusive eastbound left-turn bay
- Curb extensions at the southwest corner of W. 181st St. & Haven Ave, the northwest corner of W. 181st St. & Broadway (short-term) and the northeast corner of W. 181st St. & Amsterdam Ave. (long-term)
- Lane striping at 181st & Amsterdam
- Addition of bus lanes during the PM peak period in the eastbound direction from Broadway to Amsterdam Avenue.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions on this matter.

Sincerely,



Pamela Palanque-North
Chair

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Dear Commissioner Forgiione:

Please be advised that at the General Board Meeting of Community Board 12- Manhattan, held on Tuesday, June 28 2011, passed a resolution with a unanimous vote of 33-0-0 on proposed measures to improve Pedestrian Safety – Luis Belliard School of Upper Manhattan

Whereas: New York City Department of Design and Construction (DDC) presented their Proposed Measures to Improve Pedestrian Safety at the six intersection surrounding Luis Belliard School of Upper Manhattan (PS8) to Community Board 12 Manhattan's Traffic and Transportation Committee (T&T) on June 6th, 2011; and

Whereas: The school is located at 465 West 167th Street between Amsterdam Ave, Jumel Place and 168th St. This is an area with high traffic density and high pedestrian volume; and

Whereas: PS 8 administration reported students have encountered speeding vehicles, double parked school buses, heavy traffic at intersection motorists refusing to yield to pedestrians as they walk to school; and

Whereas: In addition to PS 8, there are multiple that contribute to the high pedestrian volume; and

Whereas: Traffic calming is intended to slow or reduce motor-vehicle traffic in order to improve safety for pedestrians and improve the environment for residents; and

Whereas: In 2004, DOT completed the following traffic calming techniques: Edgecombe Ave one way, 167th St to Jumel Pl; 168th St one way, Jumel Pl to Amsterdam Ave; angle parking on 168th St, Jumel Pl to Amsterdam Ave; installed a guard rail at Edgecombe Ave & 167th St; channelization at Edgecombe Ave & 167th St; and upgrade signs & pavement markings; and

Whereas: DOT traffic studies showed crossing timing was inadequate for a child pedestrian in several locations;

Whereas: DDC plans to install "neck downs" (also known as curb extensions) which narrow the width of the roadway to reduce the distance pedestrians have to cross; and

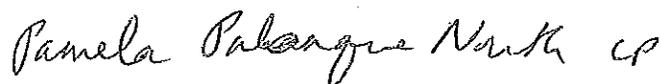
Whereas: Neck downs also increase pedestrian safety by tighten the curb radii at the corners, reducing the speeds of turning vehicles; and

Therefore,

Be It Resolved: Community Board 12 Manhattan supports DDC's proposal to improve student pedestrian safety near PS 8 with the following additions: 1. the proposed neck down at 167th St & Edgecombe Ave is very large, it was suggested that DDC should work with the Parks Department to consider adding greenery to soften the volume of concrete; and 2. pedestrian ramps should be designed to face the direction of the crossing.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions on this matter.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Pamela Palanque-North in cursive script.

Pamela Palanque-North
Chair

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New York, NY 10017

Hon. Charles Rangel
Congressman
163 West 125th Street
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New York, NY 10029

Dear Elected Officials:

At its June 28, 2011 general meeting, Community Board 12 unanimously passed (29 votes) a Resolution "Calling on Congress to Affirm the Humanity and Civil Rights of All and to Enact the "Respect for Marriage Act"

Whereas: After many arduous years of campaigning, lobbying, protests, and public education efforts, on June 24, 2011, New York State enacted legislation recognizing same-sex marriages, providing thousands of gay and lesbian New Yorkers with the legal protections and rights enjoyed by heterosexual couples; and,

Whereas: Community Board 12, Manhattan passed a resolution on December 15, 2009 stating its support for marriage equality; and,

Whereas: In February 2011, the United States Department of Justice declined to defend the "Defense of Marriage Act," which defined marriage as being only between one man and one woman, and prohibited federal recognition of same sex marriages made legal by some states, and caused untold harm by denying gay and lesbian couples over 1,100 federal rights and privileges of legal marriage; and,

Whereas: In March 2011, courageous Congressional leaders including Representatives Tammy Baldwin, David Cicilline, John Conyers, Barney Frank, Jerry Nadler, Jared Polis, Charles Rangel, and Senators Diane Feinstein, Kirsten Gillibrand, and Patrick Leahy and others have sponsored the "Respect for Marriage Act" (H.R. 1116/S. 598), which would repeal the Defense of Marriage Act and establish marriage equality across the nation; and,

Whereas: According to the Human Rights Campaign, over 3.1 million Americans are living in same sex relationships and between 1 and 9 million children are being raised by lesbian, gay and bisexual parents in the United States today; and,

Whereas: Federal marriage equality will allow gay and lesbian couples to honor their commitment to each other, and will, through the extension of federal rights and protections to their love, provide a necessary safety net to their children and to themselves, by ensuring that loving partners can make health care

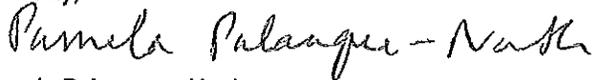
decisions for each other, that children and partners can inherit assets left to them by deceased partner, that partners become eligible for spousal retirement benefits, that immigrants can secure their right to remain in the United States and to ultimately achieve citizenship, that partners can obtain joint health insurance, among many other benefits afforded to heterosexual couples; and, now therefore be it

Resolved: That Community Board 12, Manhattan views the federal ban on marriage equality for gays and lesbians as an injustice and a denial of civil rights that has caused undeserved emotional pain and suffering and economic losses to thousands of victims; and be it further

Resolved: That Community Board 12, Manhattan urges all of New York's Congressional Delegation to recognize and work to uphold the civil rights of all, and to declare its support of the "Respect for Marriage Act"; and, be it further

Resolved: That Community Board 12, Manhattan expresses its unqualified support for marriage equality and respectfully asks Congress to end the cruel targeting of gays and lesbians and grant them the rights and privileges of marriage by passing the "Respect for Marriage Act."

Sincerely,



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Chair

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Hon. Mitch McConnell, Senator Minority Leader
Hon. Charles Rangel, Congressman
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Mr. Ross D. Levi, Executive Director- Empire State Pride Agenda
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June 29, 2011

Hon. Dennis Rosen
Chairman
New York State Liquor Authority
80 South Swan Street
Albany, NY 12210-8002

RE: SLA – Renewal On-Premise Liquor License Barrow Tavern Inc.

Dear Chairman Rosen:

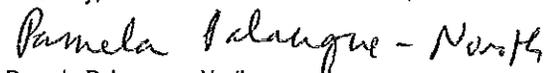
Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 32-0-0 at its June 28, 2011 general meeting to **not recommend** the State Liquor Authority grant renewal On-Premise Liquor License to Harger Donut Shop Inc. dba Coral, located at 3801 Broadway at the corner of W. 158th Street.

Whereas, Harger Donut Shop Inc. dba Coral, located at 3801 Broadway at the corner of W. 158th Street., has duly notified Community Board 12 of its intention to file an application for a renewal On-Premise Liquor license; and

Whereas, it is committee protocol to provide a negative vote for establishments that do not attend the duly advertised Economic Development Committee meeting; and

Therefore Be It Resolved, that Community Board 12 offers **STRONG OBJECTION** to the State Liquor Authority granting a renewal On-Premise Liquor License to Harger Donut Shop Inc. dba Coral.

Sincerely,


Pamela Palanque – North
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RE: SLA – Renewal On-Premise Liquor License Harger Donut Shop Inc. dba Coral

Dear Chairman Rosen:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 32-0-0 at its June 28, 2011 general meeting to **not recommend** the State Liquor Authority grant renewal On-Premise Liquor License to Harger Donut Shop Inc. dba Coral, located at 3801 Broadway at the corner of W. 158th Street.

Whereas, Harger Donut Shop Inc. dba Coral, located at 3801 Broadway at the corner of W. 158th Street., has duly notified Community Board 12 of its intention to file an application for a renewal On-Premise Liquor license; and

Whereas, it is committee protocol to provide a negative vote for establishments that do not attend the duly advertised Economic Development Committee meeting; and

Therefore Be It Resolved, that Community Board 12 offers **STRONG OBJECTION** to the State Liquor Authority granting a renewal On-Premise Liquor License to Harger Donut Shop Inc. dba Coral.

Sincerely,

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RE: SLA – Renewal On-Premise Liquor License Carnival Latino Bistro Corp dba Altus Café

Dear Chairman Rosen:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 31-1-0 at its June 28, 2011 general meeting to **recommend** the State Liquor Authority grant renewal On-Premise Liquor License to Carnival Latino Bistro Corp dba Altus Café located at 4325-4327 Broadway between W. 184th and 185th Streets.

Whereas, Carnival Latino Bistro Corp dba Altus Café, located at 4325-4327 Broadway between W. 184th and 185th Streets, has duly notified Community Board 12 of its intention to file an application for a renewal on-premises liquor license; and

Whereas, the Economic Development Committee, having met on June 7, 2011 to hear comments from the community, and the local precincts, heard no negative comments about the establishment; and

Therefore Be It Resolved, that Community Board 12 offers **no objection** to the State Liquor Authority granting a renewal of the On-Premises Liquor License to Carnival Latino Bistro Corp dba Altus Café.

Sincerely,

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RE: SLA – Renewal On-Premise Liquor License 21 Bar Corp

Dear Chairman Rosen:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 30-2-0 at its June 28, 2011 general meeting to recommend the State Liquor Authority grant renewal On-Premise Liquor License to 21 Bar Corp located at 4318 Broadway at the corner of W. 184th Street.

Whereas, 21 Bar Corp located at 4318 Broadway at the corner of W. 184th Street, has duly notified Community Board 12 of its intention to file an application for a renewal on-premises liquor license; and

Whereas, the Economic Development Committee, having met on June 7, 2011 to hear comments from the community, and the local precincts, heard no negative comments about the establishment; and

Therefore Be It Resolved, that Community Board 12 offers no objection to the State Liquor Authority granting a renewal of the On-Premises Liquor License to 21 Bar Corp.

Sincerely,

Pamela Palanque - North cp

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Chair

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RE: SLA – Renewal On-Premise Liquor License El Conde Restaurant Corp

Dear Chairman Rosen:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 31-1-0 at its June 28, 2011 general meeting to **recommend** the State Liquor Authority grant renewal On-Premise Liquor License to El Conde Restaurant Corp located at 4139 Broadway at the corner of 175th Street.

Whereas, to El Conde Restaurant Corp located at 4139 Broadway at the corner of W. 175th Street, has duly notified Community Board 12 of its intention to file an application for a renewal on-premises liquor license; and

Whereas, the Economic Development Committee, having met on June 7, 2011 to hear comments from the community, and the local precincts, heard no negative comments about the establishment; and

Therefore Be It Resolved, that Community Board 12 offers **no objection** to the State Liquor Authority granting a renewal of the On-Premises Liquor License to El Conde Restaurant Corp.

Sincerely,


Pamela Palanque – North
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RE: SLA – Renewal Restaurant Wine License 181 Restaurant Corp dba Hudson View Restaurant

Dear Chairman Rosen:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 30-1-1 at its June 28, 2011 general meeting to **recommend** the State Liquor Authority grant renewal Restaurant Wine License to 181 Restaurant Corp dba Hudson View Restaurant located at 770 W. 181st Street at the corner of Ft. Washington Avenue.

Whereas, 181 Restaurant Corp dba Hudson View Restaurant located at 770 W. 181st Street at the corner of Ft. Washington Avenue, has duly notified Community Board 12 of its intention to file an application for a renewal Wine Restaurant license; and

Whereas, the Economic Development Committee, having met on June 7, 2011 to hear comments from the community, and the local precincts, heard no negative comments about the establishment; and

Therefore Be It Resolved, that Community Board 12 offers **no objection** to the State Liquor Authority granting a renewal of the Restaurant Wine License to 181 Restaurant Corp dba Hudson View Restaurant.

Sincerely,

Pamela Palanque-North

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RE: SLA – Renewal Restaurant Wine License Kobe Sushi Inc

Dear Chairman Rosen:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 31-1-0 at its June 28, 2011 general meeting to **recommend** the State Liquor Authority grant renewal Restaurant Wine License to Kobe Sushi Inc located at 827 W. 181st Street between Pinehurst and Cabrini Boulevard.

Whereas, Kobe Sushi Inc located at 827 W. 181st Street between Pinehurst and Cabrini Boulevard, has duly notified Community Board 12 of its intention to file an application for a renewal Wine Restaurant license; and

Whereas, the Economic Development Committee, having met on June 7, 2011 to hear comments from the community, and the local precincts, heard no negative comments about the establishment; and

Therefore Be It Resolved, that Community Board 12 offers **no objection** to the State Liquor Authority granting a renewal of the Restaurant Wine License to Kobe Sushi Inc.

Sincerely,


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RE: SLA – Renewal Restaurant Wine License 4986 Broadway El Nuevo Ambiente Corp dba El Nuevo Ambiente Restaurant

Dear Chairman Rosen:

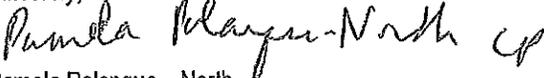
Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 31-1-0 at its June 28, 2011 general meeting to **recommend** the State Liquor Authority grant renewal Restaurant Wine License to 4986 Broadway El Nuevo Ambiente Corp dba El Nuevo Ambiente Restaurant located at 4986 Broadway between W. 211st and W. 212th Streets.

Whereas, 4986 Broadway El Nuevo Ambiente Corp dba El Nuevo Ambiente Restaurant located at 4986 Broadway between W. 211st and W. 212th Streets, has duly notified Community Board 12 of its intention to file an application for a renewal Wine Restaurant license; and

Whereas, the Economic Development Committee, having met on June 7, 2011 to hear comments from the community, and the local precincts, heard no negative comments about the establishment; and

Therefore Be It Resolved, that Community Board 12 offers **no objection** to the State Liquor Authority granting a renewal of the Restaurant Wine License to 4986 Broadway El Nuevo Ambiente Corp dba El Nuevo Ambiente Restaurant.

Sincerely,


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RE: SLA – Renewal Restaurant Wine License Little Apple LTD

Dear Chairman Rosen:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 31-1-0 at its June 28, 2011 general meeting to **recommend** the State Liquor Authority grant renewal Restaurant Wine License to Little Apple LTD located at 537 W. 207th Street between Post and Sherman Avenues.

Whereas, Little Apple LTD located at 537 W. 207th Street between Post and Sherman Avenues, has duly notified Community Board 12 of its intention to file an application for a renewal Wine Restaurant license; and

Whereas, the Economic Development Committee, having met on June 7, 2011 to hear comments from the community, and the local precincts, heard no negative comments about the establishment; and

Therefore Be It Resolved, that Community Board 12 offers **no objection** to the State Liquor Authority granting a renewal of the Restaurant Wine License to Little Apple LTD.

Sincerely,

Pamela Palanque – North
Chair

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RE: SLA – Renewal Eating Place Beer License Broadway Guadalupe Corp dba Guadalupe Victoria

Dear Chairman Rosen:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 32-0-0 at its June 28, 2011 general meeting to **not recommend** the State Liquor Authority grant renewal Eating Beer License Broadway Guadalupe Corp dba Guadalupe Victoria located at 3925 Broadway at the corner of W.164th Street.

Whereas, Broadway Guadalupe Corp dba Guadalupe Victoria located at 3925 Broadway at the corner of W.164th Street, has duly notified Community Board 12 of its intention to file an application for a renewal Eating Place Beer license; and

Whereas, it is committee protocol to provide a negative vote for establishments that do not attend the duly advertised Economic Development Committee meeting; and

Therefore Be It Resolved, that Community Board 12 offers **STRONG OBJECTION** to the State Liquor Authority granting a renewal On-Premise Liquor License to Barrow Tavern Inc.

Sincerely,


Pamela Palanque – North
Chair

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June 29, 2011

Hon. David Yassky, Chair
Commissioner
NYC Taxi & Limousine Commission
33 Beaver Street
New York, NY 10004

RE: Taxi Limousine Commission Renewal application for Professional Car Service Inc

Dear Commissioner Yassky:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 30-2-0 at its June 29, 2011 general meeting recommending the Taxi & Limousine Commission to grant the renewal application for Professional Car Service, located at 376 Audobon Avenue at the corner of W. 184th Street.

Whereas, Professional Car Service, located at 376 Audobon Avenue at the corner of W. 184th Street, has duly notified Community Board 12 of its intention to file an application for a new taxi and limousine commission license; and

Whereas, the Economic Development Committee, having met on June 7, 2011 to hear comments from the community, and the local precincts, heard no negative comments about the establishment; and

Therefore Be It Resolved, that Community Board 12 offers **no objection** to the Taxi and Limousine Commission granting a renewal of taxi and limousine commission license for Professional Car Service Inc.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pamela Palanque-North".

Pamela Palanque – North
Chair

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RE: Taxi Limousine Commission Renewal application for Kennedy Radio Dispatch Inc

Dear Commissioner Yassky:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 30-2-0 at its June 29, 2011 general meeting **recommending** the Taxi & Limousine Commission to grant the renewal application for Kennedy Radio Dispatch, located at 3670 Broadway at the corner of W. 156th Street.

Whereas, Kennedy Radio Dispatch, located at 3670 Broadway at the corner of W. 156th Street, has duly notified Community Board 12 of its intention to file an application for a new taxi and limousine commission license; and

Whereas, the Economic Development Committee, having met on June 7, 2011 to hear comments from the community, and the local precincts, heard no negative comments about the establishment; and

Therefore Be It Resolved, that Community Board 12 offers **no objection** to the Taxi and Limousine Commission granting a renewal of taxi and limousine commission license for Kennedy Radio Dispatch.

Sincerely,


Pamela Palanque – North
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Hon. David Yassky, Chair
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New York, NY 10004

RE: Taxi Limousine Commission Renewal application for Xpress Transportation & Multiservice Inc

Dear Commissioner Yassky:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 28-3-1 at its June 29, 2011 general meeting **recommending** the Taxi & Limousine Commission to grant the renewal application for Xpress Transportation & Multiservice Inc, located at 958 St. Nicholas Avenue at the corner of W. 158th Street.

Whereas, Xpress Transportation & Multiservice Inc, located at 958 St. Nicholas Avenue at the corner of W. 158th Street, has duly notified Community Board 12 of its intention to file an application for a new taxi and limousine commission license; and

Whereas, the Economic Development Committee, having met on June 7, 2011 to hear comments from the community, and the local precincts, heard no negative comments about the establishment; and

Therefore Be It Resolved, that Community Board 12 offers **no objection** to the Taxi and Limousine Commission granting a renewal of taxi and limousine commission license for Xpress Transportation & Multiservice Inc.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pamela Palanque North" followed by a small mark.

Pamela Palanque – North
Chair

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Hon. Dennis Rosen
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80 South Swan Street
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RE: SLA – new On-Premise Liquor License El Nuevo Rincon Restaurant Corp dba El Nuevo Rincon Restaurant

Dear Chairman Rosen:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 32-0-0 at its June 28, 2011 general meeting to **not recommend** the State Liquor Authority grant new On-Premise Liquor License for El Nuevo Rincon Restaurant Corp dba El Nuevo Rincon Restaurant, located at 125A Nagle Avenue at the corner of Arden Street.

Whereas, for El Nuevo Rincon Restaurant Corp dba El Nuevo Rincon Restaurant, located at 125A Nagle Avenue at the corner of Arden Street, has duly notified Community Board 12 of its intention to file an application for a new on-premises liquor license; and

Whereas, the Economic Development Committee having met on June 7, 2011 to hear comments from the community and the local precinct, heard negative comments related to given the small size of the establishment a full liquor license was not warranted; and

Therefore Be It Resolved, that Community Board 12 offers **STRONG OBJECTION** to the State Liquor Authority granting a new on premise liquor license for El Nuevo Rincon Restaurant Corp dba El Nuevo Rincon Restaurant.

Sincerely,

Pamela Palanque -- North
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RE: SLA – New On-Premise Liquor License La Esperanza Sports Bar Restaurant Corp

Dear Chairman Rosen:

Community Board 12, at its June 28, 2011 general meeting, recommends with a vote of 17-13-2, that the State Liquor Authority not grant a new On-Premise Liquor License to La Esperanza Sports Bar Restaurant, located at 2372 Amsterdam Avenue between W. 177th and W. 178th Streets.

Whereas, La Esperanza Sports Bar Restaurant, located at 2372 Amsterdam Avenue between W. 177th and W. 178th Streets, has duly notified Community Board 12 of its intention to file an application for a new on-premises liquor license; and

Whereas, the Economic Development Committee having met on June 7, 2011 to hear comments from the community and local precinct, had initially recommended with the agreement of La Esperanza that La Esperanza should apply for a Restaurant Wine License in good faith for a period of six months after which, if the community voiced no complaints, La Esperanza could apply for an On-Premises Liquor License; and

Whereas, Given that La Esperanza decided to reject this agreement at the June 28, 2011 general meeting and in view of the serious public safety and quality of life concerns raised by community residents at the general meeting; now

Therefore Be It Resolved, that Community Board 12 offers **STRONG OBJECTION** to the State Liquor Authority granting a new on premise liquor license for La Esperanza Sports Bar Restaurant Corp.

Sincerely,


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RE: SLA – new On-Premise Liquor License Nueva Juquila Restaurant Inc

Dear Chairman Rosen:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 32-0-0 at its June 28, 2011 general meeting to **not recommend** the State Liquor Authority grant new On-Premise Liquor License Nueva Juquila Restaurant, located at 2106 Amsterdam Avenue between W. 164th and W. 165th Streets.

Whereas, Nueva Juquila Restaurant, located at 2106 Amsterdam Avenue between W. 164th and W. 165th Streets, has duly notified Community Board 12 of its intention to file an application for a new on-premises liquor license; and

Whereas, the Economic Development Committee having met on June 7, 2011 to hear comments from the community and local precinct, heard comments about the establishment being less than 200 feet from a high school and having received a summons for housing alcohol without a license on April 10, 2011; and

Therefore Be It Resolved, that Community Board 12 offers **STRONG OBJECTION** to the State Liquor Authority granting a new on premise liquor license for Nueva Juquila Restaurant.

Sincerely,


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RE: SLA – new On-Premise Liquor License Capricito Lounge Corp.

Dear Chairman Rosen:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 32-0-0 at its June 28, 2011 general meeting to **not recommend** the State Liquor Authority grant new On-Premise Liquor License Capricito Lounge Corp, located at 65 Sherman Avenue at the corner of Thayer Street.

Whereas Capricito Lounge Corp, located at 65 Sherman Avenue at the corner of Thayer Street, has duly notified Community Board 12 of its intention to file an application for a new Beer and Wine license; and

Whereas, it is a committee protocol to provide a negative resolution for establishments that do not attend the duly advertised Economic Development Committee meeting; and

Therefore Be It Resolved, that Community Board 12 offers **STRONG OBJECTION** to the State Liquor Authority granting a new On-Premise liquor license for Capricito Lounge Corp.

Sincerely,


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June 29, 2011

Michael Ben-Asher
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RE: NEW –DCA – Unenclosed Sidewalk Café 187 Restaurant Corp dba TOCOCINA Mexican Grill

Dear Mr. Ben-Asher:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 32-0-0 at its June 28, 2011 general meeting to not recommend the grant application for a new unenclosed sidewalk café to 187 Restaurant Corp dba TOCOCINA Mexican Grill, located at 591 Fort Washington Ave. at the corner of 187th Street.

Whereas, 187 Restaurant Corp dba TOCOCINA Mexican Grill, located at 591 Fort Washington Ave. at the corner of 187th Street, has duly notified Community Board 12 of its intention to file an application for a new unenclosed sidewalk cafe; and

Whereas, the Economic Development Committee, having met on June 7, 2011 to hear comments from the community and local precinct, heard strong concerns related to how much sidewalk space would exist between the end of the sidewalk café and the bus stop directly in front on an already narrow sidewalk; and

Therefore Be It Resolved, that Community Board 12 offers **STRONG OBJECTION** to the Department of Consumer Affairs granting a new unenclosed sidewalk cafe for 187 Restaurant Corp dba TOCOCINA Mexican Grill.

Sincerely,


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