

## 75 Morton Street Resolution

Passed unanimously by  
Community Board Two, Manhattan, Executive Committee on August 19, 2013

Whereas Community Board Two has advocated for a school at 75 Morton Street for 6 years, and has passed several resolutions to that effect, and

Whereas numerous community groups and organizations have also advocated for a school at 75 Morton Street, and

Whereas parents of children in local elementary schools complain that schools are overcrowded and that no middle school exists within Community Board Two, and

Whereas the Community Education Council of District Two has unanimously endorsed a public, non-charter, middle school at 75 Morton Street, and

Whereas a public hearing on August 15, 2013 confirms strong community and parent support for a middle school at 75 Morton Street, and

Whereas the community also welcomes a small DC 75 school for children who need self-contained classes within the 75 Morton building and

Whereas the proposed site selection includes one middle school, one DC 75 school, and no other co-located school, and

Whereas the School Construction Authority plans to have large windows, a full gym, and other much needed facilities within 75 Morton Street, and

Whereas a new school needs a large auditorium for students and their families, and

Whereas 75 Morton is also an perfect location for a large auditorium needed by the community for meetings, concerts, plays and so on, and

Whereas, especially with the closing of St. Vincent's, a wellness center for adolescents would be ideally located at 75 Morton Street,

Whereas the ideal size for a public middle school is about 600 students, to meet their education needs without overburdening the surrounding neighborhood,

**Therefore be it resolved** that Community Board Two enthusiastically endorses the site selection of a middle school and a DC75 school at 75 Morton Street to open as soon as possible and

**Be it also resolved** that Community Board Two advocates a large auditorium and a wellness center for a 600-student middle school and a 60-student DC 75 school.