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July 20, 2018

Dawn Tolson, Director
CECM/Street Activity Permit Office
100 Gold Street, 2nd Floor
New York, NY 10038

Dear Ms. Tolson:

At its Full Board meeting on July 19, 2018, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

- 1. Wednesday, August 29 - Thursday, September 13, 2018 — IMG Worldwide, Inc.d/b/a IMG Fashion: New York Fashion Week-The Show: on 1) Varick Street between Broome Street and Watts Street, 2) Greenwich Street between King and West Houston Streets, 3) Varick Street between Watts and Grand Streets, 4) Varick Street between Grand and Canal Streets (curb lane closures)**
- 2. Saturday, September 1-Monday, September 10, 2018 — IMG Worldwide, Inc.d/b/a IMG Fashion: New York Fashion Week: on 1) Washington Street between Jane and West 12th Streets, 2) West 12th Street between Washington and Greenwich Streets (curb lane closures).**

Whereas, these events are part of New York Fashion Week and the applications are for curb lane closures for each listed block for the loading and unloading of delivery trucks, 40 Lexus automobiles, and pick up and drop off for participants, crew, and observers; and

Whereas, although the applicants stated that the curb lane closures will be used intermittently during the 2 weeks there will be no guidance to neighboring residents and businesses when these parking spots will be used and therefore the residents and businesses will not be able to rely on using any of the aforementioned blocks during these two weeks; and

Whereas, the curb lane closures on Washington and West 12th Streets are to service fashion week events taking place at Industria; and

Whereas, Industria is a large event space that describes itself as a “versatile facility specifically designed to host events across industries” and “offers a beautiful industrial character and an incredible location” with several event spaces totaling 13,400 square feet offering “street access and is car accessible”; and

Whereas, because Industria rents out space to external event planners, like the present applicant, each individual event planner, and not Industria, attains all permits for use during individual events, which causes these blocks in the West Village to become a continuous loading and unloading zone for huge events which cuts off all access to the curb lane and sidewalk for neighboring residents, many who have lived in the neighborhood for decades; and

Whereas, because Industria does not hold itself out as the permit holder for these events, there is no point person to contact to resolve any of the residents quality of life concerns, which include garbage being placed amongst neighbors garbage, resulting in fines, excessive noise from events happening around the clock, and from the lack of reliable resident parking available; and

Whereas, the operator of Industria finally met with concerned residents in the spring, after many, many months of repeated requests and stated to the residents that he would appoint a liaison from his establishment in order to address concerns but that promise of a liaison has yet to materialize; and

Whereas, neighboring residents from both locations appeared at the Quality of Life meeting to express what an incredible inconvenience it is for them to have entire blocks around their homes be reserved for weeks at a time and to feel like any concerns they raise in person are dismissed in a condescending way; and

Whereas, these 2 week curb lane closures will be happening during both Labor Day and Rosh Hashanah, both times when residents rely on having access to curb lanes around their residences and access to garages; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **denial** of the **IMG Fashion: New York Fashion Week curb lane closures for 1) Varick Street between Broome Street and Watts Street, 2) Greenwich Street between King and West Houston Streets, 3) Varick Street between Watts and Grand Streets, 4) Varick Street between Grand and Canal Streets and 1) Washington Street between Jane and West 12th Streets, 2) West 12th Street between Washington and Greenwich Streets** from August 29- September 13, 2018.

VOTE: Passed unanimously, with 36 Board members in favor

Please advise us of any decision or action taken in response to this resolution.

Sincerely,



Terri Cude, Chair
Community Board 2, Manhattan



Joseph Gallagher, Chair
Quality of Life Committee
Community Board 2, Manhattan

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c: Hon. Jerrold Nadler, Congressman
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Dear Ms. Tolson:

At its Full Board meeting on July 19, 2018, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

Sunday, September 9, 2018— Cornelia Street Block Party, Cornelia Street between Bleecker and West 4th Sts. (full street closure)

Whereas, the applicant appeared before the Quality of Life Committee in June 2018 and the committee unanimously recommended approval for this event but the application was sent back to the committee after concerns were raised about the event; and

Whereas, the applicant again appeared before the Quality of Life committee as did several neighboring residents and members of the Central Village Block Association (CVBA) which represents the interests of Cornelia Street and several other neighboring blocks; and

Whereas, the applicant stated that a Cornelia Street block party has been held for 10+ years around the beginning of September but the applicant learned from the organizer of the annual event that he would not be organizing the event in 2018; and

Whereas, the applicant decided to apply on his own to organize a Cornelia Street Block Party this year since the other block party would not be occurring but that this block party would be scaled down from the one that occurred in previous years and participants will be primarily residents and business owners from this block who hope to gather, talk, enjoy pot-luck style food and non-alcoholic drink, discuss block concerns about safety and sanitation, play non-amplified instruments, and watch a family-friendly movie using a projector and sheet; and

Whereas, the event will consist of several meetings of residents and business owners with the goal of building community and a representative from the local precinct will be invited to give a presentation on safety and security; and

Whereas, members of the CVBA appeared to express that they hoped people would not think that this was the same Cornelia Street Block Party that had occurred for many years prior and the applicant stated that he did not want to give that impression but he didn't want the block to lose the

tradition of having a block party around this time and that he was not trying to form a block association to compete with CVBA; and

Whereas, two residents of Cornelia Street appeared to voice support for this block party and said they looked forward to the opportunity to mix and mingle with their neighbors and the applicant presented a petition in support of the event signed by 50 people, many of whom self-described as neighbors; and

Whereas, the applicant stated that while the street would be closed to vehicular traffic all pedestrians would have access to both sidewalks and would be invited to mix and mingle with the neighbors and that no commercial vendors would be used for the block party; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **approval** of the **Cornelia Street Block Party** on September 9, 2018.

VOTE: Passed unanimously, with 36 Board members in favor

Please advise us of any decision or action taken in response to this resolution.

Sincerely,



Terri Cude, Chair
Community Board 2, Manhattan



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June 20, 2018

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Dear Ms. Tolson:

At its Full Board meeting on July 19, 2018, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

FYI/Renewal Street Activities

- 1. 9/16/18 – Minetta Block Association: Palio on Minetta: Minetta Street between Bleeker Street and Minetta Lane**
- 2. 9/23/18 – The LGBT Center: Cycle for the Cause – Northeast AIDS Ride, West 13th Street between 7th Avenue and Greenwich Avenue**

Whereas, these items were on the public agenda and were not requested to be heard for further discussion by any community member; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **approval** of the subject renewals.

Vote: Adopted unanimously

- 3. 10/10/18 – Slice Out Hunger, Sullivan Street between West Houston Street and Prince Street**

Whereas, this item was on the public agenda but was not requested to be heard for further discussion by any community member, however, the organizer of this 10th annual event, Scott Weiner, appeared and took the opportunity to tell the committee that having the block closed for the last 2 years has increased the amount of charity money raised substantially and he wanted to thank the community for being so supportive of the event, all proceeds of which are donated to local charities to end hunger; and

Whereas, the event will operate as it has for the last two years after which no complaints from the community have been received and the event raises the profile of many local pizzerias that opt to participate; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **approval** of the subject renewal.

VOTE: Passed unanimously with 36 Board members in favor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Terri Cude".

Terri Cude, Chair
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