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April 26, 2010

Margaret Forgione Manhattan Borough Commissioner NYC Department of Transportation 59 Maiden Lane, 35thFloor New York, NY 10038

Dear Commissioner Forgione:

At its Full Board meeting April 22, 2010, Community Board #2, Manhattan, adopted the following resolution:

Resolution in support of setting up a "No Standing Any Time" regulation at one parking space on Kenmare St., southern side, near Elizabeth St.

Whereas Kenmare St. is a major traffic corridor between the Williamsburg Bridge and the Holland Tunnel, heavily traversed by motor vehicles at all times of day; and

Whereas with no place for automobiles and taxis to pull up on Kenmare St. near Elizabeth St., it's necessary to double park for drop offs or pick ups there, blocking traffic and exacerbating congestion; and

Whereas a "No Standing Any Time" regulation for one space on the west side of the street would allow for pulling in just for the time it takes to drop off or pick up, thereby freeing up traffic lane passage while also providing visibility for safer pedestrian crossings and corner turns;

Therefore be it resolved that Community Board No. 2 Manhattan supports setting up a "No Standing Any Time" regulation at one parking space on the western side of Kenmare St. near Elizabeth St.

Vote: Passed, with 35 Board members in favor, 4 in opposition-(Bergman, Rakoff, Diether, Johnson), and 1 abstention-(Berger)

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

Sincerely,

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Jo Hamilton, Chair Community Board #2, Manhattan

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Shirley Secunda, Chair Traffic & Transportation Committee Community Board #2, Manhattan

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cc: Hon. Jerrold L. Nadler, Congressman Hon. Thomas K. Duane, NY State Senator Hon. Daniel L. Squadron, NY State Senator Hon. Sheldon Silver, Assembly Speaker Hon. Deborah J. Glick, Assembly Member Hon. Scott M. Stringer, Man. Borough President Hon. Christine C. Quinn, Council Speaker Hon. Margaret Chin, Council Member Hon. Rosie Mendez, Council Member Sandy Myers, CB2 liaison, Man. Borough President's office Lolita Jackson, Manhattan Director, CAU Jo Hamilton, *Chair* Bo Riccobono, *First Vice Chair* Sheelah Feinberg, *Second Vice Chair* Bob Gormley, *District Manager*



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Margaret Forgione Manhattan Borough Commissioner NYC Department of Transportation 59 Maiden Lane, 35th Floor New York, NY 10038 Brad Berson, Vice President New York Motorcycle and Scooter Task Force 98-01 67th Avenue, Apt 8G Rego Park Queens, NY 11374

Dear Commissioner Forgione and Mr. Berson:

At its Full Board meeting April 22, 2010, Community Board #2, Manhattan, adopted the following resolution:

Resolution requesting a pilot program establishing on-street motorcycle and motor scooter parking zones.

Whereas members of the New York Motorcycle and Scooter Task Force (NYMSTF) gave a presentation to the Traffic and Transportation Committee of Community Board 2, Manhattan (CB2), proposing the creation of designated on-street parking zones for two-wheeled motor vehicles, specifically motorcycles and motor scooters; and

Whereas the presentation referenced CB2's December 2008 resolution, which contemplated establishing designated on-street parking areas as a means to reduce the instances of two-wheeled motor vehicles being parked on sidewalks; and

Whereas in a poll taken by NYMSTF, 53% of respondents reported having their street-parked motorbike or scooter knocked over by other vehicles in 2009, 34% of those had multiple knockovers, and the average damage from each incident was \$620, inducing riders to park their vehicles on sidewalks; and

Whereas the presentation also highlighted the benefits to "daylighting" of designated parking areas for two-wheeled motor vehicles, which would prevent the common practice of large sight-obstructing vehicles parking in no-parking zones specifically established to aid pedestrian visibility at intersections; and

Whereas a greater number of speakers commented in favor of the proposal than against; those against uniformly cited the noise impact of illegally-modified motorcycles; those in favor expressed that such zones will accommodate vehicles which are already in the neighborhood in a safer, more secure manner; and

Whereas among the locations proposed, the committee rejected some believing they could have an unacceptable noise impact for adjacent residents, but invited NYMSTF to propose additional locations in the near future based on the committee's feedback;

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 requests that the New York City Department of Transportation (DOT) establish and designate a pilot program for the parking of two-wheeled motor vehicles: (1) in the last parking spot on the southwest side of Grand St. at the intersection of Crosby St. and (2) in the last parking spot on the northeast side of Waverly Pl. at the intersection of Grove St., with the expectation that a limited number of further proposed locations will be forthcoming; and

Be it further resolved that should DOT identify other potential locations for this pilot program, CB2 asks that such locations be brought to CB2 for consideration.

Vote: Unanimous with 40 Board members in favor.

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

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Margaret Forgione Manhattan Borough Commissioner NYC Department of Transportation 59 Maiden Lane, 35thFloor New York, NY 10038 Raymond Kelly, Commissioner NYC Police Department One Police Plaza New York, NY 10038

Dear Manhattan Borough Commissioner Forgione and Commissioner Kelly:

At its Full Board meeting April 22, 2010, Community Board #2, Manhattan, adopted the following resolution:

Resolution in support of NYC Council Intro. 47, Office of Road Safety Bill.

Whereas more than 250 New Yorkers were killed on New York City's roads in 2009, and every year over 10,000 pedestrians are struck and injured; and

Whereas the disparate parts of City government charged with road safety often work in total isolation from one another with crucial considerations slipping through the cracks, losing opportunities to bring down injuries every day and avert the loss of lives; and

Whereas NYC Council Intro 47 calls for creating an Office of Road Safety that would increase collaboration between these agencies, especially between the NYC Police Department (NYPD) and Department of Transportation (DOT); ensure their coordinated development of street designs, enforcement programs, driver education and research efforts for maximum impact; and provide a point of government responsible for reducing traffic violations, crashes, injuries and fatalities, thereby strengthening the potential for greater street safety; and

Whereas the Office of Road Safety would function within the DOT, coordinating meetings at least once a month with the NYPD, the vehicular crimes unit of each District Attorney's office, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, at least one family member of a fatal crash victim, and other parties deemed necessary (e.g. the Department of Sanitation re project street change proposals);

Therefore Be It Resolved that Community Board 2 Manhattan supports the passage of NYC Council Intro 47 to create an Office of Road Safety and urges the Council to hold a hearing on it as soon as possible, giving it full consideration.

Vote: Unanimous with 40 Board members in favor.

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

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