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Dear Manhattan Borough Commissioner Castro and Mr. Redmond:

At its Full Board meeting on May 21, 2009, CB#2-Man., adopted the following resolution:

**Desalvio Playground: A resolution supporting and film showing event.**

**Whereas** a proposal was presented for showing a film at Desalvio Playground as part of the Mexican Film Festival; and

**Whereas** the event will include sale of reasonably priced Mexican food by La Esquina Restaurant; and

**Whereas** the movie will begin at dark and the event will end promptly when the movie ends; and

**Whereas** the event sponsors agreed to pay for a Park Enforcement Officer to be at the event until the event is over and the park is locked; and

**Whereas** most seating for the movie will be on the ground, but chairs will be available for those who cannot sit comfortably on the ground; and

**Whereas** one resident of the community objected to the event because there is already too much nighttime activity in the neighborhood;

**Therefore it is resolved** that CB-2 does not object to the showing of a movie combined with the sale of reasonably priced food at Dasalvio Playground in connection with the Mexican Film Festival.

Vote: Unanimous, with 34 Board members in favor

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

Sincerely,



Brad Hoylman, Chair  
Community Board #2, Manhattan



Tobi Bergman, Chair  
Parks, Recreation & Open Space Committee  
Community Board #2, Manhattan

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cc: Hon. Jerrold Nadler, Congressman  
Hon. Thomas K. Duane, NYS Senator  
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Dear Manhattan Borough Commissioner Castro and Mr. Redmond:

At its Full Board meeting on May 21, 2009, CB#2-Man., adopted the following resolution:

**Seravalli Playground. A Resolution urging the NYC Department of Parks & Recreation and the NYC Department of Environmental Protection to resolve bureaucratic inconsistencies so that funds can be promptly transferred to Parks for reconstruction of the playground.**

**Whereas** the project to construct a shaft on Gansevoort Street to the new water tunnel has experienced extensive delay but is now complete; and

**Whereas** this has caused the closing of a major portion of the playground to continue for years longer than anticipated when approved by CB-2; and

**Whereas** funds for reconstruction of the playground still have not been transferred from DEP to Parks; and

**Whereas** Parks cannot bid this work until funds are transferred; and

**Whereas** even with no further delays the reconstruction will not begin until April 2010 and the park will not reopen until 2011; and

**Whereas** this long duration of construction work and the associated street closing have caused inconvenience and harm to residents and businesses;

**Therefore it is resolved** that CB-2 urges Parks and DEP to immediately resolve all bureaucratic inconsistencies that prevent transfer for funds dedicated for the reconstruction of Seravalli Playground so that this project can move forward.

Vote: Unanimous, with 34 Board members in favor

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

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