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Kyle Kimball, President  
New York City Economic Development Corporation  
110 William St. New York, NY 10038

Dear Mr. Kimball:

As the elected officials who participate in the New York City's Uniform Land Use Review Procedure (ULURP), we write to express our desire that the application to rezone and dispose of the publically-owned land at the former Slaughterhouse site at 493 Eleventh Avenue be used for affordable housing.

We recommend that the Request for Proposal to develop this site include 100 percent, permanently affordable housing units and a provision that would provide a nonprofit organization to manage the project.

The Slaughterhouse site is a major component of Community Board 4's (CB4) Affordable Housing Plan, which was approved at the full board meeting in July 2014. It's estimated that a building on this site could generate 322 permanently affordable housing units if rezoned to C6-4. In addition, the location of the Slaughterhouse can accommodate greater density and aligns with Mayor de Blasio's stated plan for constructing affordable housing in areas that can absorb such density.

We thank the New York City Economic Development Corporation (EDC) for working with CB4 on a proposal for this site and appreciate their commitment to this public process.

We look forward to working with EDC and CB4 to ensure that this project meets the needs of this community and advances Mayor de Blasio's goal of building 80,000 new affordable housing units over the next decade.

Sincerely,

Corey Johnson  
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