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**MANHATTAN COMMUNITY BOARD FOUR**

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Ms. Margaret Forgione  
Manhattan Borough Commissioner  
New York City Department of Transportation  
40 Worth Street  
New York, New York 10013

**Re: Taxi Relief Stand – North West Corner of 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 26<sup>th</sup> Street**

Dear Commissioner Forgione:

Manhattan Community Board 4 (CB4) requests the installation of a Taxi Relief Stand for up to 1 hour on 10th Avenue for the first 50 feet North of the Northwest corner of West 26<sup>th</sup> Street.

The stand was requested by *The Friendly Group, Ltd. Chelsea Taxi Brokers & OSG Corp.* at 287 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and by a petition signed by 200 taxi drivers. Notice of the request was posted at the intersection and no one appeared at the committee meeting in opposition.

There are currently nine Taxi Relief Stands in CB4 – seven of them located in Hell’s Kitchen. As the Community Board has changed in the last few years, the number of taxi rides originating in our Community Board area for both residents and business has increased substantially. This location affords taxi drivers access to using rest rooms, restaurants and deli’s in the immediate area. It also will enable the drivers to use this as a Taxi Stand during high demand times, such late weekend evenings when the area clubs are active.

We thus recommend approval of this location for a Taxi Relief Stand and request the Department of Transportation to install the necessary signs.

Sincerely yours,

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Chair  
Manhattan Community Board 4

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