

May 13, 2003

Hon. George E. Pataki  
Governor  
The Executive Chamber  
Albany, NY 12224

Hon. Joseph L. Bruno  
Majority Leader  
The State Senate  
Albany, NY 12247

Re: Rent Stabilization Regulations of the Emergency Tenant Protection Act

Dear Governor Pataki and Senator Bruno:

At its regularly scheduled meeting on May 7, 2003, Manhattan Community Board No. 4 passed the following resolution with a vote of 28 in favor, 0 opposed, and 1 abstaining.

**WHEREAS**, The Rent Stabilization Regulations of the Emergency Tenant Protection Act of 1974 sunset in June 2003; and

**WHEREAS**, Rent Stabilization Regulations are central to the preservation and stability of New York City's housing economy, affecting more than two million people who live in rent-regulated housing; and

**WHEREAS**, The current vacancy decontrol provisions of the rent stabilization regulations allow owners to permanently remove apartments from rent and eviction regulation when an apartment's rent exceeds \$2,000 per month; and

**WHEREAS**, Manhattan Community Board No. 4 continues to support the Rent Stabilization Regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, Legislation to extend rent stabilization and repeal the current vacancy decontrol provision of the Rent Stabilization Regulations has passed the New York Assembly; therefore be it

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**RESOLVED**, Manhattan Community Board No. 4 strongly urges the New York Senate to pass and Governor Pataki to sign the extension of rent stabilization and the repeal of vacancy decontrol as passed by the Assembly.

Sincerely,



Simone Sindin  
Chair  
Manhattan Community Board No. 4

Janice McGuire  
Chair  
Housing, Health & Human Services  
Committee

cc: Elected Officials