

July 9, 2004

Honorable Margaret Forgiione  
Manhattan Borough Commissioner  
New York City Department of Transportation  
40 Worth Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10013

**Re: The installation of New York's first Accessible Pedestrian Signals**

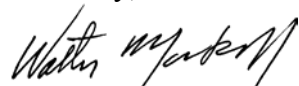
Dear Commissioner Forgiione:

Manhattan Community Board No. 4 wishes to express its appreciation for the installation of the first set of Accessible Pedestrian Signals in New York City on June 3, 2004. We trust that these units, installed at the northern crossing of Sixth Avenue at West 23<sup>rd</sup> Street, are an indication that DOT recognizes the importance of this technology to the safety of a significant portion of our population. We understand that DOT's Signals Division is prepared to make additional installations at other locations identified by this Board over the past few years.

We are particularly grateful to Mr. Alan Borock, Director of the Signals Operations and Street Lighting division, for his receptiveness to input from our Transportation Planning Committee and his responsiveness to this need. All feedback the Board has received regarding the installation of Accessible Pedestrian Signals at 23<sup>rd</sup> Street has been very favorable, with no complaints from any member of the general public.

Thank you again for the cooperation of DOT in addressing this important pedestrian safety concern.

Sincerely,



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Chair  
Manhattan Community Board No. 4



Joshua David  
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