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Commissioner John Doherty Department of Sanitation 125 Worth Street New York, NY 10013

Re: Arch at Pier 99 Marine Transfer Station

Dear Commissioner Doherty,

As plans for both the Hudson River Park and Riverside Park South come to fruition, discussions have started regarding the location of the arch at the entrance to the Pier 99 Marine Transfer Station at West 59<sup>th</sup> Street.

It is our understanding that the arch sits precisely in the path of the planned Hudson River Park walkway at the bulkhead and the Riverside Park South bulkhead promenade. In fact, it is at the arch that these two parks meet. This poses obvious problems, and with this letter, we are asking the Department to study options for solving them.

The most obvious one is to move the arch west by about 10 feet, and our hope is that this is a manageable project. There might indeed be other solutions and we leave it to you to discover them.

To reiterate, we request that you study options for relocating the arch to permit pedestrian flow along the planned walkways of both parks. The time to do this is now, since gears are in motion for Riverside Park South's planning for that section of the park.

We understand that the arch was part of a Percent for Art requirement, and that it was built in cooperation with the architects of the site, coincidentally the architects of Segment 6/7 of the Hudson River Park, Richard Dattner and Partners. For that reason they are copied below and we hope they can have some input into this as well.

Thank you for your consideration and response.

Sincerely,

Walter Mankoff

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