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Barry Gendelman **Assistant Commissioner** Department of Citywide Administrative Services Division of Real Estate services 1 Center Street Room 2017 New York, NY 10007

Re: Proper ventilation of Shamrock Stables, 520 West 45th Street

Dear Mr. Gendelman:

As you may recall, Manhattan Community Board No. 4 wrote you in January, 2005 regarding P.S. 51 and the adjacent Shamrock Stables (letter enclosed). We appreciate the attention you have brought to the effort to mitigate the difficulties of having the stables next to a school.

We are pleased that the agreement signed in December, 2004, by Ian McKeever of the Shamrock Stables and Nancy Sing Bok of P.S. 51, has led to improvement of the problematic conditions. According to both Ian and Nancy all of the items committed to in the agreement, save the proposed improved ventilation system, have been implemented or begun. Given those improvements and the high cost of the contractor proposals for the improved ventilation system, we would encourage the City to assist with the funding, either directly or through a licensing fee abatement. We would like to ask your office to take leadership, working with Shamrock Stables, in ensuring that this improvement is made and report back to the Community Board.

Once again, thank you for your interest and involvement.

Sincerely,

Walter Mankoff

Chair

Manhattan Community Board No. 4

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Cc: Ian McKeever Nancy Sing-Bock