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

Re: Pedestrian and motorist safety conditions at the intersection of West 17th Street and Ninth Avenue.

Dear Commissioner Forgione,

Manhattan Community Board No. 4 is concerned about the number of automobile accidents that have occurred at the intersection of West 17th Street and 9th Avenue. According to the 10th Precinct, at least 10 accidents have occurred at this intersection during the last year. Neighborhood residents believe that the timing of the intersection's traffic light, which does not seem to work in sequence with the traffic lights at 16th and 18th Streets and 9th Avenue, may be contributing to the high accident rate.

We request that DOT investigate the timing of the traffic light at West 17th Street and 9th Avenue, make any corrections which might improve pedestrian safety and report back to the Community Board with your findings.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Walter Mankoff
Chair
Manhattan Community Board No. 4

Jay Marcus
Chair
Transportation Planning Committee

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