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

Re: Detectable Warning Strips

Dear Commissioner Forgione:

In November, 2004, Manhattan Community Board No. 4 sent a letter alerting the Department of Transportation (DOT) to our concern that New York City remained out of compliance with federal regulations requiring detectable warning strips on major pedestrian crossings. In the seven months since that time, no new warning strips have been installed in our community district or the surrounding areas.

Given that pedestrian volumes in this area are among the highest in the city, including among those with sight impairments, we request that DOT begin installing the detectable warning strips in high-volume pedestrian corridors. We also request that DOT submit quarterly report to Community Board No. 4 on the progress you are making regarding the installation of these strips.

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance in meeting Federal mandates that improve access to our neighborhood streets.

Sincerely,

Walter Mankoff
Chair
Manhattan Community Board No. 4

Jay Marcus
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Transportation Planning Committee

cc: Hon. Michael Bloomberg, Mayor
Hon. C. Virginia Fields, Manhattan Borough President
Local Elected Officials