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Howard H. Roberts, Jr.
President
MTA NYC Transit
2 Broadway
New York, NY 10004

Re: Detour for west bound M14A and M14D buses on 14th Street

Dear Mr. Roberts,

Manhattan Community Board 4 requests that the Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA) use the following bus route – which includes moving along Seventh Avenue southbound to Christopher Street for west bound M14A and M14D buses, whenever West 14th Street between Seventh and Eighth Avenues is closed for a street fair.

This route has successfully been used over the past decade. Every part of this detour is already part of existing, safe bus routes. This route, which was originally requested in 2003 by the former Joint Committee of Community Boards 2 and 4 on West 14th Street, has been used successfully, safely, quickly, and efficiently ever since without any complaints. It misses no stops on West 14th Street.



While the community board asks each street fair applicant to ensure this route is used, the MTA is ultimately responsible for implementing the detour and providing community residents with sufficient notification of the dates of the detour. We appreciate your assistance in integrating this detour in your formal policies, so it does not have to be the object of a special request every time.

Sincerely,



Jean-Daniel Noland
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