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Thomas F. Prendergast  
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer  
Metropolitan Transportation Authority  
347 Madison Avenue  
New York, NY 10017

**Re: Reopening the Pedestrian Underpass at West 14<sup>th</sup> Street  
Connection between Seventh and Eighth Avenues**

Dear Chairman Prendergast,

Manhattan Community Board 4 (CB4) requests that the MTA investigate the possibility of reopening the MTA pedestrian underpass tunnel at West 14<sup>th</sup> Street and Seventh Avenue, and report the findings back to CB4. We understand that the underpass was originally closed on account of security concerns, which may not exist today. We are also aware that the MTA has reopened other similar underpasses in other communities.

We thank you for your time and consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Christine Berthet  
Chair

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Co-Chair, Transportation  
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