

COMMUNITY BOARD 7 Manhattan

April 16, 2013

Hon. Dennis M. Walcott
Chancellor, New York City Department of Education
52 Chambers Street
New York, NY 10007

Re: Process for Community Input Prior to ECF RFP

Dear Chancellor Walcott:

On behalf of Community Board 7/Manhattan and our Upper West Side and District 3 community, thank you for holding the April 10th Town Hall meeting at Wadleigh.

Our Board and community particularly welcome your confirmation and commitment made during the Town Hall meeting that, should the Educational Construction Fund decide any of the proposals merit further consideration, there will be active and meaningful opportunities for community engagement and input prior to the formulation of any possible Request for Proposal that may be issued in connection with a potential redevelopment of any of the sites included in the ECF's 2012 Request for Expressions of Interest relating to PS 191 or PS 199 in our District or the High School for Career and Technical Education in District 2. As you know, this is a key element of CB7's March 5, 2013, resolution on the subject of the RFEI.

CB7 stands ready to partner with you, our elected officials, and the District 3 Community Education Council and Presidents' Council to facilitate engaging the community on this important issue.

Respectfully yours,



Mark N. Diller

Chair, Community Board 7/Manhattan

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