

Jerry Iannece Chair

COMMUNITY BOARD 11

Serving Communities of Auburndale, Bayside, Douglaston, Hollis Hills, Little Neck & Oakland Gardens

46-21 Little Neck Parkway, Little Neck, NY, 11362
Tel (718) 225-1054 Fax (718) 225-4514

email: <u>ON11@cb.nyc.gov</u> Website: <u>nyc.gov/queenscb11</u>

Susan Seinfeld District Manager

AMENDED RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Mayor Michael Bloomberg intends to close twenty firehouses in New York City, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor deems those twenty firehouses unnecessary to protect the residents of New York City, and

WHEREAS, Engine 306, one of the twenty firehouses proposed for closure, is located within Community Board 11, and

WHEREAS, Engine 306 provides an invaluable service to our community including prompt response efforts to dangerous fires, emergency medical situations, and extreme weather conditions, and

WHEREAS, the closest firehouse in relation to Engine 306 is almost 1.5 miles away, and

WHEREAS, the closure of Engine 306 will increase response time in the surrounding community by almost two minutes, and

WHEREAS, two minutes may mean the difference between life and death in fires and critical medical situations, and

WHEREAS, senior citizens and children are those most vulnerable to dangerous fires, and

WHEREAS, the neighborhood has numerous old wooden structures that would be endangered, and

WHEREAS, the safety and protection of the Northeast Queens residents, whom Community Board 11 represents, is of the utmost importance to all of our members,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Community Board 11 is steadfastly opposed to the closing of Engine 306 due to the adverse effect it will have on the residents and businesses of our community.