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RE: Support for Woodside on the Move's Beautification of the 70th Street & Roosevelt Avenue Triangle

Dear Mr. Koester:

Queens Community Board 2 is writing to express our strong support for *Woodside on the Move*'s proposal to beautify the public triangle located at 70th Street and Roosevelt Avenue in Woodside, Queens.

This site sits at a prominent and highly trafficked intersection within our district, serving as a gateway to the Woodside community, but at present, it is in a state of neglect and disrepair. The triangle has become a collection point for litter and other unsanitary debris, creating an unpleasant and unsafe environment for the residents, commuters, and businesses that surround it. Community members have raised ongoing concerns about the accumulation of garbage and evidence of human waste at the site, which detracts significantly from the quality of life in this otherwise vibrant neighborhood.

For many years, *Woodside on the Move* has worked closely with local residents, merchants, and civic groups to improve neighborhood conditions and foster community pride. They have a proven track record of community engagement and environmental stewardship in our district. Their plan to clean, landscape, and maintain this space would transform an unsightly and unhygienic corner into a small but meaningful green area that reflects the pride and character of Woodside. The organization's commitment to ongoing care and upkeep will also help ensure that these improvements are sustainable over time.

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Queens Community Board 2 fully supports this initiative and respectfully urges the New York State Department of Transportation to work closely with *Woodside on the Move* to facilitate and approve the necessary permissions for this project. Improving this public space will directly enhance public health, safety, and the overall appearance of the neighborhood.

Thank you for your consideration and for your continued partnership in making our communities cleaner, safer, and more welcoming places to live.

Sincerely,



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