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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

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Chancellor Joel Klein NYC Department of Education 52 Chambers Street New York, NY 10007

RE: Update on Teaching Assistant in the classroom

Dear Chancellor Klein:

At its Land Use/Full Board meeting Wednesday, April 21, 2010, Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the following resolution by a vote of 36 in favor, 0 opposed and 1 abstention:

WHEREAS the matter of the Teaching Assistant in the classroom has been discussed by the DOE and the UFT during one meeting, and

WHEREAS the matter has yet to be resolved thereby depriving our students and teachers of the benefits afforded by the presence of the Teaching Assistant in the classroom, and

WHEREAS there have been no further meetings scheduled by the Department of Education or the United Federation of Teachers to discuss this subject,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Community Board 8 strongly urges this matter to be resolved expeditiously by the Department of Education.

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that until the status of the Teaching Assistant is resolved that the position remain the same for the school year 2010- 2011, as it is for the current school year.

Please advise this office of any action taken regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Jacqueline Ludorf Chair James Clynes and Judith Schneider Co-Chair, Youth and Education Committee Hon. Michael Bloomberg, Mayor of the City of New York Hon. Dennis M. Walcott, Deputy Mayor for Policy Hon. Kathleen Grimm, Deputy Chancellor of Finance & Administration Hon. Jeff Shear, Chief of Staff Hon. Martin Barr, Executive Director, Department of Education Hon. Scott M. Stringer, Manhattan Borough President Hon. Rose Pierre-Louis, Deputy Manhattan Borough President Hon. Carolyn Maloney, United States Congress Member Hon. Liz Krueger, New York State Senator Hon. Jonathan Bing, New York State Assembly Member Hon. Micah Kellner, New York State Assembly Member Hon. Daniel Garodnick, New York City Council Member Hon. Jessica Lappin, New York City Council Member Hon. Robert Jackson, Chair, Education Committee, New York City Council Marc Sternberg, Deputy Chancellor of Portfolio Planning Elizabeth Rose, Office of Portfolio, Department of Education Jenny Sobelman, Office of Public Affairs, Department of Education Anthony Borelli, Director of Land Use, Manhattan Borough President's Office Shaan Khan, Director of Comm. Affairs & Constituent Services, Manhattan Borough President's Office Daria Rigney, Superintendent Community School District 2 T. Elzora Cleveland, President, CEC District 2

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