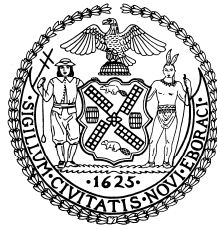


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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

April 15, 2011

Hon. Adrian Benepe
Commissioner
Department of Parks and Recreation
The Arsenal
830 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10021

Re: Review of the Central Park Conservancy's proposal to reconstruct Central Park's Cherry Hill Concourse

Dear Commissioner Benepe:

At the Full Board meeting on Wednesday, April 13, 2011, Manhattan Community Board 8 voted to adopt the following resolution by a vote of 21 in favor, 9 opposed and 11 abstentions:

WHEREAS the Central Park Conservancy's plan to reconstruct the Cherry Hill Concourse will restore the area to its original design; and

WHEREAS the new pavement will be made of a sustainable material whose brownish-grey color blends with the environment; and

WHEREAS the new design will refocus visitors' attention beyond the Cherry Hill fountain to the vistas beyond Cherry Hill, as originally intended in designs by Olmsted and Vaux;

BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 8, Manhattan, approves of the proposal to reconstruct the Cherry Hill Concourse.

Sincerely,

Jacqueline Ludorf
Chair

Margaret Price and Barbara Rudder
Co-Chairs, Parks Committee

cc: Honorable Michael Bloomberg, Mayor of the City of New York
Scott Stringer, Manhattan Borough President
Carolyn Maloney, 14th Congressional District Representative
Liz Krueger, NYS Senator, 26th Senatorial District
Micah Kellner, Assemblyman, 65th Assembly District
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