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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

April 18, 2013

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

Re: Proposal for the Display of a Sculpture by Carole Eisner in Tramway Plaza

Dear Commissioner White:

At the Full Board meeting on Wednesday, April 17, 2013, Manhattan Community Board 8 approved the following resolution by a vote of 30 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the large sculpture, Hosea, by Carole Eisner would provide an aesthetic enhancement to the heavily used Tramway Park plaza; and

WHEREAS the project is ADA compliant, has the support of the Parks Department and the approval of the Dept. of Transportation; and

WHEREAS there are concerns that the large sculpture could cause hazardous conditions in the plaza and encourage graffiti on the artwork, since the project does not include provisions for nighttime flood lighting on the sculpture; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 8, Manhattan approves of the Parks Dept.'s plans to install the sculpture, Hosea, by Carole Eisner on the Tramway Park plaza from May 1 to December 1, 2013, on the conditions that the City provide assurances that the sculpture will not harm the vault under the plaza, and that nighttime lighting at the site is adequate to prevent the sculpture from creating any hazardous conditions or attracting graffiti.

Sincerely,

Nicholas D. Viest 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 Assembly Member Dan Quart, 73rd Assembly District Jessica Lappin, NYC Council Speaker, 5th Council District Daniel Garodnick, NYC Council Member, 4th Council District Honorable William Castro, Manhattan Borough Commissioner