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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

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Margaret Forgione Manhattan Borough Commissioner NYC Department of Transportation 59 Maiden Lane, 35th Flr. New York, NY 10038

Re: Discussion of possible elimination of left turn and split signal phase for northbound traffic on York Avenue at 79th Street.

Dear Commissioner Forgione:

At the April 20, 2016 Full Board meeting, the board passed the following resolution to **approve** by a vote of 43 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstention:

WHEREAS Community Board 8 wishes to improve safety at the intersection of 79th Street & York Avenue; and

WHEREAS DOT has confirmed that they will remove the left-turn signal arrow for northbound traffic on York Avenue only if CB8 requests to eliminate the left turn from northbound York Avenue to westbound 79th Street,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 8 asks the Department of Transportation to eliminate the left turn from northbound York Avenue to westbound 79th Street, and to restore standard traffic control signals at the intersection of York Avenue & 79th Street; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Community Board 8 urges DOT to add Accessible Pedestrian Signals at this intersection, simultaneous with the change in traffic signals.

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

Sincerely,

James G. Clynes Chairman A. Scott Falk and Charles Warren Co-Chairs, Transportation Committee

cc: Hon. Bill de Blasio, Mayor of the City of New York
Hon. Gale Brewer, Manhattan Borough President
Hon. Carolyn Maloney, 12th Congressional District Representative
Hon. Liz Krueger, NYS Senator, 28th Senatorial District
Hon. Dan Quart, 73rd Assembly District
Hon. Rebecca Seawright, 76th District
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