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## The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

April 25, 2016

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

Re: Madison Avenue at 96th Street Traffic, Bus, and Safety Improvements

Dear Commissioner Forgione:

At the April 20, 2016 Full Board meeting, the board passed the following resolution to **approve** by a vote of 39 in favor, 2 opposed, and 0 abstention:

WHEREAS the Department of Transportation wishes to improve safety and traffic flow in the area bounded by 96th & 97th Streets and Madison & Fifth Avenues; and

WHEREAS DOT and New York City Transit wish to reduce travel time on the M96 bus; and

WHEREAS DOT proposes a series of traffic, bus, and safety improvements including ten pedestrian neckdowns, a pedestrian island, and changes to curb regulations and traffic signal timings to achieve these goals,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 8 approves the proposal for traffic, bus, and safety improvements in the area bounded by 96th & 97th Streets and Madison & Fifth Avenues, as presented; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Community Board 8 requests that NYPD provide traffic enforcement for at least the first two weeks following implementation of these changes.

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, 12<sup>th</sup> Congressional District Representative

Hon. Liz Krueger, NYS Senator, 28<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District

Hon. Dan Quart, 73<sup>rd</sup> Assembly District

Hon. Rebecca Seawright, 76<sup>th</sup> District

Hon. Ben Kallos, NYC Council Member, 5<sup>th</sup> Council District

Hon. Daniel Garodnick, NYC Council Member, 4<sup>th</sup> Council District