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## **The City of New York** **Manhattan Community Board 8**

July 23, 2010

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

Dear Commissioner Benepe:

At the Land Use/Full Board meeting on Wednesday, July 21, 2010 Manhattan Community Board 8 passed the following resolution by a vote of 35 in favor, 3 opposed and 0 abstentions:

**WHEREAS** the Parks Dept. has informed the CB8M Parks and Landmarks Committees in a timely manner about plans for up to 4 specialty food/beverage carts on the terrace of Central Park's Tavern on the Green, and about extending the contract on a bicycle rental concession near Tavern on the Green; and

**WHEREAS** few details of these plans were available to be considered at CB8M's July Parks-Landmarks Committee meeting; and

**WHEREAS** this lack of information prevented CB8M Committee members from being able to vote on the proposals; and

**WHEREAS** Community Board 8 believes that it is vitally important to be able to discuss and vote on proposed concessions in CB8M-district parks; therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Community Board 8M urges the Parks Dept. to postpone issuing any RFPs for vendors of specialty food and beverage carts in and around the terrace of Tavern on the Green restaurant in Central Park until the Parks Dept. presents CB8M with detailed plans for these concessions.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Community Board 8M urges the Parks Dept. not to extend a contract for bicycle rentals in the area near Tavern on the Green restaurant until the Parks Dept. presents CB8M with detailed plans for this concession.

Sincerely,

Jacqueline Ludorf  
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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, 14<sup>th</sup> Congressional District Representative  
Liz Kruger, NYS Senator, 26<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District  
Micah Kellner, Assemblyman, 65<sup>th</sup> Assembly District

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