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## The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

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

## <u>Proposal by the Lachaise Foundation to Exhibit the Gaston Lachaise Sculpture, LaMontagne, in Tramway Plaza</u>

Dear Commissioner Benepe:

At the Full Board meeting on Wednesday, July 20, 2011, Manhattan Community Board 8 voted on the following resolution by a vote of 32 in favor, 6 opposed and 1 abstention:

**WHEREAS** the Gaston Lachaise sculpture, La Montagne, would add an artistic element to Tramway Plaza; and

**WHEREAS** this addition to the plaza is intended to be temporary, lasting approximately one year; and

**WHEREAS** CB8M members assume that placement of the sculpture near E.59<sup>th</sup> St. and 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. in Tramway Plaza would not hinder pedestrian traffic in the Plaza from any direction; therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED** that CB8M approves of the plan to display the Gaston Lachaise sculpture, *La Montagne*, temporarily at Tramway Plaza, provided that this artwork be adequately lighted from sundown to sunrise to prevent accidents.

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, 14<sup>th</sup> Congressional District Representative Liz Krueger, NYS Senator, 26<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District Micah Kellner, Assemblyman, 65<sup>th</sup> Assembly District Assemblyman, 73<sup>rd</sup> Assembly District Jessica Lappin, NYC Council Speaker, 5<sup>th</sup> Council District Daniel Garodnick, NYC Council Member, 4<sup>th</sup> Council District