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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

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Commissioner Mitchell J. Silver New York City Parks and Recreation The Arsenal Central Park 830 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10065

RE: Plans for the Renovation of the East River Esplanade between East 88th and 90th Street

Dear Commissioner Silver:

At its December 14, 2016 Full Board meeting, the full CB8M board voted to adopt the following resolution by a unanimous vote of 42 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the NYC Parks Dept. has embarked on a much-needed program of structural repairs to the deteriorated East River Esplanade on Manhattan's Upper East Side; and

WHEREAS the City has deemed improvements to the East River Esplanade in the East 88th-East 90th streets area to be a high priority, given the poor condition of parts of the sea wall in this area; and

WHEREAS proposed renovations in the East 88-90th streets area of the Esplanade include: reconstruction and stabilization of the sea wall; installation of a new S-shaped railing at the water's edge; replacement of existing benches; and the installation of new and different plantings and pavement in the seating area to distinguish that section from the Esplanade's main walkway; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 8-Manhattan approves of the NYC Parks Dept.'s plans for the renovation of the East River Esplanade between 88th and 90th streets.

Sincerely,

James G. Clynes Chairman Susan Evans and Margaret Price Co-Chairs, Parks 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 Assembly District Hon. Daniel Garodnick, NYC Council Member, 4th Council District

Hon. Ben Kallos, NYC Council Member, 5th Council District

William Castro, Manhattan Borough Commissioner, NYC Parks & Recreation

Steve Simon, Manhattan Chief-of-Staff, NYC Parks & Recreation