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The Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo
Governor of New York State
NYS State Capitol Building
Albany, NY 12224

RE: Discussion of Community District 8 Preparation for Implementation of Congestion Pricing south of 60th Street

Dear Governor Cuomo,

At the Full Board meeting of Community Board 8 Manhattan held on January 22, 2020, the board **approved** the following resolution by a vote of 39 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 not voting for cause.

WHEREAS; State law will allow congestion pricing to go into effect for vehicles operating on roadways south of 60th Street as early as January 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS; no policy decisions regarding the implementation of congestion pricing have been made to date; and

WHEREAS; no city or state agency has presented a plan that describes preparations for implementation of congestion pricing, including any required infrastructure implementation or anticipated changes to roadway and transit operations or parking regulations; and

WHEREAS; Community Board 8 Manhattan is especially concerned that city and state governmental entities are very unprepared for the introduction of congestion pricing; and

WHEREAS; the Traffic Review Mobility Board will be responsible for developing policies regarding fees, fee offsets, exemptions and discounts; and

WHEREAS; the Traffic Review Mobility Board is to be comprised of six members, all of whom have yet to been appointed; and

WHEREAS; it is absolutely critical that the Traffic Review Mobility Board operate in a transparent manner, and be representative of all types of communities that will be uniquely impacted by the policies that it formulates;

WHEREAS; the impacts of congestion pricing will be especially significant across Manhattan, with separate issues and likely impacts for communities north and south of the congestion zone boundary;

WHEREAS; it is in the best interest of all communities affected by congestion pricing that all essential policies and preparations are well thought out and carefully implemented to avoid a transportation network breakdown upon implementation;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 8 requests that there be two representatives from Manhattan appointed to the Traffic Review Mobility Board – one from above 60th Street, one from below 60th Street.

Sincerely,

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Craig Lader and Charles Warren
Co-Chairs, Transportation Committee

CC: Honorable Bill de Blasio, Mayor of the City of New York
Honorable Carolyn Maloney, 12th Congressional District Representative
Honorable Gale Brewer, Manhattan Borough President
Honorable Liz Krueger, NYS Senator, 28th Senatorial District
Honorable Dan Quart, NYS Assembly Member, 73rd Assembly District
Honorable Rebecca Seawright, NYS Assembly Member 76th Assembly District
Honorable Ben Kallos, NYC Council Member, 5th Council District
Honorable Keith Powers, NYC Council Member, 4th Council District
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