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

March 20, 2020

Honorable Bill de Blasio Mayor of the City of New York City Hall New York, New York 10007

RE: The Urgent Need for More 3K Programs in CB8M.

Dear Mayor de Blasio,

At the joint meeting of Community Board 8 Manhattan Women & Families and Youth, Education, and Libraries Committees held on March 10, 2020, the committees **APPROVED** the following resolution by a vote of 7 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstention, and 0 not voting for cause.

Whereas in 2017 Mayor Bill de Blasio announced his plan to roll out 3-K-for-All over the next four years; and

Whereas this February Mayor de Blasio announced an expansion of 3-K from 12 to 16 community school districts, serving 26,000 children; and

Whereas 3-K programs remain severely limited in CB8M, since the district is scheduled to have only one facility offering 3K in the 2020-2021 school year; and

Whereas 3-K programs are widely considered crucial to early childhood development and an essential benefit to working and non-working parents; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 8 Manhattan urges Mayor de Blasio to expand the number of pre-K programs for 3-year olds in the CB8M district in time for the upcoming 2020-2021 school year.

Please advise us of any action taken on this matter.

Sincerely,

Alida Camp Gayle Baron and Peggy Price Alida Camp

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Co-Chairs, Women & Families Committee Chair Chair, Youth, Education, & Libraries C.

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Honorable Bill de Blasio, Mayor of the City of New York cc:

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