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

February 18, 2021

Chancellor Richard A. Carranza  
NYC Department of Education  
52 Chambers St  
New York, NY 10007

**RE: Dual Language Initiative for the Upper East Side**

Dear Chancellor Carranza,

At the Full Board meeting of Community Board 8 Manhattan held on February 17, 2021, the board **APPROVED** the following resolution by a vote of 39 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 2 not voting for cause:

**WHEREAS** CB8 Manhattan recognizes a tremendous need for dual-language programs across CB8 Manhattan, NYC Education District 02, and the entirety of the NYC school system and,

**WHEREAS** this includes identifying a continuity plan of dual language services to the 36 dual-language French students entering Kindergarten in 2021 and outlining a future pathway for the students enrolling in the French Dual-language Pre-K program in 2021 and beyond in response to demonstrated community interest and need.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that CB8 Manhattan calls on the New York City Department of Education, and NYC Chancellor's Office to engage in dialog and explore how to deliver these highly valued programs.

Please advise us of any action taken on this matter.

Sincerely,

*Russell Squire*

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*Taina Borrero, Peter Patch, and Rami Sigal*

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Co-Chairs, Youth, Education, and Libraries 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 José M. Serrano, NYS Senator, 29th Senatorial District  
Honorable Dan Quart, NYS Assembly Member, 73rd Assembly District  
Honorable Rebecca Seawright, NYS Assembly Member 76th Assembly District  
Honorable Robert J. Rodriguez, NYS Assembly Member 68th Assembly District  
Honorable Ben Kallos, NYC Council Member, 5th Council District  
Honorable Keith Powers, NYC Council Member, 4th Council District