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

May 20, 2021

Commissioner Bill Chong
NYC Department of Youth & Community Development
2 Lafayette St. 19th Floor
New York, NY 10007

RE: Resolution in Support of the Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP)

Dear Commissioner Chong,

At the Full Board meeting of Community Board 8 Manhattan held on May 19, 2021, the board **APPROVED** the following resolution by a vote of 45 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 1 not voting for cause:

WHEREAS: The SYEP budget was cut in 2020 due to the pandemic;

WHEREAS: Community Board 8 Manhattan calls on The City of New York to utilize the billions of dollars from the state and federal governments to expand SYEP to all youth who would like a job for Summer 2021 and subsequent summers;

WHEREAS: The deadline to apply for SYEP is the 30th of April 2021; all youth who applied before the deadline should receive a paid position;

RESOLVED: Community Board 8 Manhattan supports restoring and expanding funding for the Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP).

Please advise us of any action taken on this matter.

Sincerely,

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Peter Patch, Taina Borrero, 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