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

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David C. Banks
Chancellor
New York City Board of Education
52 Chambers Street, Room 320
New York, NY 1007

Benjamin Morden
President
Community Education Council, District 2
333 Seventh Avenue
New York, NY 10001

Angela Green
Chair, Mayoral Appointee
Panel for Education Policy
501 Courtlandt Avenue, #102
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RE: Resolution 199 to Improve School Safety

Dear Chancellor Banks,

At the Land Use meeting of Community Board 8 held on July 13, 2022 the board approved the following resolution with a vote of 35 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstentions, and 1 not voting for cause.

WHEREAS: there have been a spike in gun violence across New York and the country in the past month;

WHEREAS: Numerous schools in Community School District 2 and Manhattan's Community Board 8 have had threats, lockdowns, evacuations, and disruptions to learning due to violence, weapons, or the threat of violence;

WHEREAS: District 2 Community Education Council's [Resolution 199 to Improve School Safety](#) provides recommendations to the NYC Department of Education, Chancellor, and Mayor to improve school safety;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: Community Board 8 supports the recommendations made by CEC2 in Resolution 199 and asks that the NYC DOE adopt the recommendations made.

Please advise us of any action taken on this matter.

Sincerely,

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Vanessa Aronson, Taina Borrero, and Rami Sigal

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Co-Chairs, Youth, Education and Libraries Committee

cc: Honorable Eric Adams, Mayor of the City of New York
Honorable Carolyn Maloney, 12th Congressional District Representative
Honorable Mark Levine, 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 Julie Menin, NYC Council Member, 5th Council District
Honorable Keith Powers, NYC Council Member, 4th Council District