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

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Janno Lieber  
Chair and CEO  
MTA New York City Transit  
2 Broadway  
New York, NY 10004

Edward F. Pincar  
Manhattan Borough Commissioner  
Department of Transportation  
59 Maiden Lane, 37th Floor  
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**RE: East 86th Street Green Line Subway ADA Project Resolution**

Dear Chair Lieber and Commissioner Pincar,

At the Full Board meeting of Community Board 8 Manhattan held on June 26, 2024, the board approved the following resolution by a vote of 36 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 0 not voting for cause.

**WHEREAS;** MTA Construction and Development has presented a plan to perform ADA Accessibility Upgrades to the 86<sup>th</sup> Street 4/5/6 Subway Station; and

**WHEREAS;** the 86<sup>th</sup> Street 4/5/6 Subway Station is currently only partially ADA accessible following completion in 2020 of installation of an elevator connecting only to the uptown local platform; and

**WHEREAS;** Community Board 8 Manhattan approved a 2016 resolution calling for full ADA Accessibility at the 86<sup>th</sup> Street 4/5/6 Subway Station and that partial accessibility was insufficient; and

**WHEREAS;** the proposed plan would bring the entire station into conformity with ADA requirements, including elevators providing connectivity to all 4 platforms and to street level in both directions, wider staircases, handrails, raised boarding areas and platform edge tactile strips;

**WHEREAS;** the proposed project is one of 13 stations to be improved that is included in the previously awarded under the MTA's Design-Build Package 5; and

**WHEREAS;** the design/build process is providing more value than traditional design/bid/construction methods; and

**WHEREAS;** the proposed project will take proper measures to protect and preserve mosaic artwork and other station features; and

**WHEREAS;** a detailed phasing plan provides clear guidance for expected street-level impacts and staircase closures; and

**WHEREAS;** New York City Transit bus stops and operations will not be impacted by street-level construction; and

**WHEREAS;** there is strong support and an urgent need for the MTA to make the entire New York City Subway system fully accessible;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Community Board 8 Manhattan supports the plan, as presented by MTA Construction and Development, to construct ADA Accessibility Upgrades at the 86<sup>th</sup> Street 4/5/6 Subway Station to bring it into ADA compliance.

Please advise our office of any action taken on this matter.

Sincerely,

*Valerie S. Mason*

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*Craig Lader and Charles Warren*

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Co-Chairs, Transportation Committee

cc: Honorable Kathy Hochul, Governor of New York  
Honorable Eric Adams, Mayor of the City of New York  
Honorable Mark Levine, Manhattan Borough President  
Honorable Jerrold Nadler, 12th Congressional District Representative  
Honorable Liz Krueger, NYS Senator, 28th Senatorial District  
Honorable José M. Serrano, NYS Senator, 29th Senatorial District  
Honorable Edward Gibbs, NYS Assembly Member 68th Assembly District  
Honorable Alex Bores, NYS Assembly Member, 73rd Assembly District  
Honorable Rebecca Seawright, NYS Assembly Member 76th Assembly District  
Honorable Keith Powers, NYC Council Member, 4th Council District  
Honorable Julie Menin, NYC Council Member, 5th Council District  
Honorable Diana Ayala, NYC Council Member, 8<sup>th</sup> Council District