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

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Edward F. Pincar
Manhattan Borough Commissioner
Department of Transportation
59 Maiden Lane, 37th Floor
New York, NY 10038

Matthew C. Fraser
Chief Technology Officer
NYC Office of Technology & Innovation
2 MetroTech Center, P1
Brooklyn, NY 11201

RE: Disapproval of 5G LinkNYC Sites

Dear Commissioner Pincar and CTO Fraser,

At the Full Board meeting of Community Board 8 Manhattan held on September 18, 2024, the board approved the following resolution by a vote of 33 in favor, 4 opposed, 2 abstentions and 0 not voting for cause.

WHEREAS; New York City Office of Technology and Innovation (NYCOTI) provided notice of proposed Link 5G Kiosk Locations at 1712 York Avenue, 110 East 88th Street, 650 Madison Avenue, 510 East 71st Street, and across from 500 East 63rd Street; and

WHEREAS; Community Board 8 Manhattan is on record as per a December 2022 resolution requesting a moratorium on construction and planning of Link 5G poles and devices in Manhattan Community District 8; and

WHEREAS; NYCOTI has not addressed Community Board 8 Manhattan's concerns from the December 2022 resolution; and

WHEREAS; there remains no confirmation that the requirements set forth on the Link 5G vendor to have contracts with carriers in place prior to deployment of proposed siting of infrastructure have been met, nor has there been any substantiation of any gaps in cellular service that necessitate Link 5G service be provided; and

WHEREAS; continued concerns exist in regards to the design of Link 5G kiosks and the potential visual impacts their presence would have in areas near their placement; and

WHEREAS; there continue to be concerns regarding the health impacts of 5G on residences nearby kiosks; and

WHEREAS; the new proposed locations include sites that would adversely impact historic districts, and those located in or near such districts may be in violation of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Community Board 8 **OPPOSES** Link 5G sites proposed by the New York City Office of Innovation and Technology at the following locations: 1712 York Avenue, 110 East 88th Street, 650 Madison Avenue, 510 East 71st Street, and Across From 500 East 63rd Street.

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

Sincerely,

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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, 8th Council District