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

May 20, 2024

Honorable Mayor Eric Adams
Mayor of New York City
City Hall
New York, NY 10007

Honorable Adrienne E. Adams
Speaker of the New York City Council
City Hall
New York, NY 10007

RE: Monies for Food Scrap Collection at Green Markets

Dear Mayor Adams and Speaker Adams,

At the Full Board Meeting of Community Board 8 Manhattan held on May 15, 2024, the board unanimously approved the following resolution by a vote of 45 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 0 not voting for cause:

WHEREAS: Composting is a tool for climate control by providing rich, absorbent soil for use to green, and protect our community, and;

WHEREAS: Green markets have successfully generated thousands of pounds of compost, and;

WHEREAS: New York City has not included funding in its budget for green market food waste collection, including four markets in Community Board 8 Manhattan, East 82nd and 92nd Streets, Lenox Hill, Robbins Plaza, and Roosevelt Island, and;

WHEREAS: The funds needed are an insignificant portion of the Sanitation Department's budget, therefore:

BE IT RESOLVED: Community Board 8 Manhattan recommends the Mayor and City Council to reinstate monies in the FY25 budget for food scrap collection at green markets.

Please advise this office of any action taken regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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Co-Chairs, Sanitation and Environment Committee

cc: Honorable Kathy Hochul, Governor of New York State
Honorable Mark Levine, Manhattan Borough President
Honorable Jerry 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