

## Community Board 12 - Manhattan Washington Heights & Inwood

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~ught into acceptable condition and all improvements be made ADA compliant including audible alarms for street crossings at id the entrance to the Harlem River Drive and requesting as part of the project, the road surface of the intersection should be enue in the planned traffic improvements to the intersection of West 155th Street, Saint Nicholas Place, Edgecombe Avenue, Please be advised that at the General Meeting Tuesday, October 28, 2014 Community Board 12 Manhattan passed a solution by a vote of (31) In Favor, (1) Opposed, (0) Abstain, objecting to the proposed right turn restriction at Edgecombe ic control signals.

re has always been complex and problematical, confusing to both drivers and pedestrians, and ereas, the intersection of West 155th Street, Saint Nicholas Place, Edgecombe Avenue and the entrance to the Harlem River

ereas, this intersection ranks in the top 1% for the most accidents in the entire borough of Manhattan, and

ereas, the road surface of the intersection is in unacceptable condition, and

າ a plan to improve the safety of this intersection, and ereas, the New York City Department of Transportation, after truly extensive consultation with the community, has come up

rsection, and / the intersection of Edgecombe Avenue lies within Community District 12, and therefore we will only comment on that specific ereas, while the committee and public feedback was generally supportive, appreciative and in favor of many of the proposed nges and left turn bans as presented by the DOT in order to improve the safety of the intersection especially for pedestrians,

ereas, the proposed plan will prohibit right turns from the southbound lane of Edgecombe Avenue, and

, and ereas, this prohibition will make traveling significantly more difficult for those drivers and bicyclists who had previous made this

ereas, both community residents and the local police precinct expressed objections to this restriction at our most recent Traffic Transportation Committee meeting due to both the inconvenience and the fact that only a small number of cars actually make urn even during peak hours; now therefore be it

Harlem River Drive, and would like the New York City Department of Transportation to reconsider its imposing this restriction, and Resolved, Community Board 12, Manhattan objects to the proposed right turn restriction at Edgecombe Avenue in the planned traffic improvements to the intersection of West 155th Street, Saint Nicholas Place, Edgecombe Avenue, and the entrance to the be it further

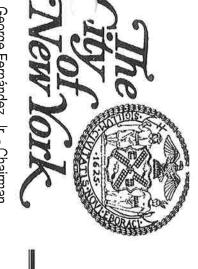
Resolved, as part of the project, the road surface of the intersection should be brought into acceptable condition and all improvements be made ADA compliant including audible alarms for street crossings at traffic control signals.

Seorge Fernandez, Jr. Chair

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October 31, 2014

Hon. Thomas F. Prendergast President Metropolitan Transit Authority 2 Broadway New York, NY 10004

Dear President Prendergast:

resolution by a vote of (30) In Favor, (2) Opposed, (0) Abstain, supporting the general concept of the flood mitigation plan for safety measures and requesting that the design be more aesthetically appealing for the surrounding neighborhood. Please be advised that at the General Meeting Tuesday, October 28, 2014 Community Board 12 Manhattan passed a

numerous MTA trains; and Whereas the MTA Yard on 10th Avenue and between 207th to 215th Street is a critical facility for the storage and upkeep of

flooding; and Whereas the eastern border of the yard is the Harlem River which therefore makes the entire facility susceptible to possible

ensure that their facilities are not damaged in the event of flash floods or other natural disasters; and Whereas in light of Storm Sandy and other recent flooding in NYC the MTA has decided to take precautionary measure to

with concrete on the northern, southern and eastern sides; and Whereas the MTA has proposed updating the surrounding walls and entrances to the yard facility by resurfacing current walls

Whereas the MTA proposed adding a 11 foot sheetpile stormwall to the existing wall which makes up the eastern wall; and

Whereas many community residents and board members felt that the overall project is unattractive and creates the impression of a prison facility with the proposed design consisting of slabs of concrete and high walls; now therefore be it

requests that the design be more aesthetically appealing for the surrounding neighborhood Resolved, Community Board 12 Manhattan supports the general concept of the flood mitigation plan for safety measures but

Sincerely, George Fernandez, Jr. Chair

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