



Community Board 12

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March 1, 2006

Commissioner Gino P. Menchini
75 Park Place- 9th Floor
New York, NY 10007

Re: Sidewalk Complaints Through 311

Dear Commissioner Menchini:

Manhattan Community Board 12 passed the following resolution at its February 28, 2006 General Meeting by a vote of 33 in favor, 1 opposed, with 1.

Whereas: The City of New York has stopped taking most 311 complaints about defective sidewalks, which is forcing residents to find ownership records from the Department of Finance; and

Whereas: Private dwellings with three or more units and commercial and industrial buildings are no longer be covered by 311 sidewalk complaints because the City legally no longer assumes liability for personal or property damages related to sidewalk defects adjacent to those buildings; now, therefore

Be It Resolved: That Community Board 12, Manhattan protests this discontinuation of service and urges that 311 again take sidewalk damage complaints and forward them to the property owners.

Sincerely,

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Martin Collins
Chair

Cc: Mayor Michael Bloomberg
Public Advocate Betsy Gotbaum
Manhattan Borough President Scott Stringer
Councilmember Robert Jackson,
Councilmember Miguel Martinez



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Chairman Peter S. Kalikow
Metropolitan Transportation Authority
347 Madison Ave
New York, NY 10017

Re: The M101 Bus

Dear Chairman Kalikow:

Manhattan Community Board 12 unanimously passed the following resolution at its February 28, 2006 general meeting:

Whereas: Despite assurances from the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) at a January 25, 2005 Community Board 12 Public Hearing, M101 articulated buses continue to idle with engines running in front of residential buildings in the neighborhood, including West 190th through 193rd Street between Audubon and St. Nicholas Avenues,; and

Whereas: M101 buses also continue to occupy parking spaces reserved for passenger vehicles in a community desperately in need of these spaces, double-park, block traffic and prevent vehicles from exiting parking spaces; and

Whereas: M101 buses make dangerous turns from St. Nicholas Avenue eastward onto West 190th Street for two blocks and then travel southward on Amsterdam Avenue, creating hazardous traffic conditions; and

And Whereas: More than 100 community residents and Community Board 12 strongly objected on January 25, 2005 and continue to object to the M101 articulated buses running along West 190th, given the numerous vehicular and pedestrian safety concerns, especially for senior citizens and children; now, therefore

Be It Resolved: Community Board 12, Manhattan strongly recommends that the MTA return the M101 bus to its original Amsterdam Avenue route.

Sincerely,

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Martin Collins

Cc: Congressman Charles Rangel
Senator Eric Schneiderman
Senator David Paterson
Assemblymember Adriano Espaillat
Assemblymember Herman D. Farrell Jr.
Mayor Michael Bloomberg
Public Advocate Betsy Gotbaum
Manhattan Borough President Scott Stringer
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Councilmember John Liu, NYC Council Transportation Chair
President Lawrence G. Reuter, MTA
Mr. Rick Muller, Transportation Policy Analyst, MBPO



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Speaker Christine Quinn
The City Council
City Hall
New York, NY 10007

Re: Co-Naming the Southwest Corner of West 212th Street and Broadway, "Lt. Joseph G. Leavey Way."

Dear Council Speaker Quinn:

Manhattan Community Board 12 passed the following resolution at its February 28, 2006 General Meeting by a vote of 32 in favor, 1 opposed, with 1 abstention:

Whereas: Community Board 12, Manhattan, was petitioned by the family of the late Lt. Joseph G. Leavey to add his name to the southwest corner of West 212th Street and Broadway; and

Whereas: Lt. Joseph G. Leavey, 46, was a dedicated husband, son and friend whose life was cut short on September 11, 2001 at the World Trade Center; and

Whereas: Lt. Joseph G. Leavey attended Good Shepherd Grammar School, Power Memorial Academy and graduated Manhattan College School of Engineering in 1977; and

Whereas: He always wanted to become a firefighter and in 1982 was appointed to New York's Bravest; and

Whereas: Lt. Joseph G. Leavey died with his FDNY brothers on September 11, 2001 and is survived by his wife, Carole, his children Brian and Caitlin and step-daughter Kerri; and

Whereas: His commitment to this city and the safety of the public will be forever missed; now

Therefore Be It Resolved: That Community Board 12, Manhattan, supports the request to co-name the southwest corner of West 212th Street and Broadway, "Lt. Joseph G. Leavey Way."

Sincerely,

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Martin Collins

Cc: Mayor Michael Bloomberg
Councilmember Robert Jackson
Councilmember Miguel Martinez

Martin Collins, Chairman

Charles DeFino, District Manager



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The City Council
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Re: Co-Naming the Southeast Corner of West 215th Street and Indian Road "Joseph F. Holland Way"

Dear Council Speaker Quinn:

Manhattan Community Board 12 passed the following resolution at its February 28, 2006 General Meeting by a vote of 32 in favor, 1 opposed, with 1 abstention:

Whereas: Community Board 12 Manhattan has been petitioned by the family of the late Joseph F. Holland to co-name the southeast corner of West 215th Street and Indian Road "Joseph F. Holland Way"; and

Whereas: Joseph F. Holland, 32, was a dedicated husband, father and friend whose life was cut short on September 11, 2001 at the World Trade Center, where he was working on the floor of the New York Mercantile Exchange; and

Whereas: Joseph F. Holland grew up in Inwood, attended Bronx High School of Science and went on to Manhattan College to receive a B.S. in Business Administration. In 1997, he married Kathleen Mahoney, and they had one son born on September 1, 2001; now

Therefore Be It Resolved: That Community Board 12, Manhattan supports the request to add the name of "Joseph F. Holland Way" to the Southeast corner of West 215th Street and Indian Road.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Mayor Michael Bloomberg
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The City Council
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Re: Co-Naming Southwest Corner of Isham St. & Seaman Ave. "Tommy Dowd Way"

Dear Council Speaker Quinn:

Manhattan Community Board 12 passed the following resolution at its February 28, 2006 General Meeting by a vote of 32 in favor, 1 opposed, with 1 abstention:

Whereas: Community Board 12 Manhattan has been petitioned by the family of the late Thomas F. Dowd to co-name the southwest corner of Isham Street and Seaman Avenue "Tommy Dowd Way"; and

Whereas: Tommy Dowd, 37, was a dedicated husband, father and friend whose life was cut short on September 11, 2001 at the World Trade Center, where he was working at Cantor Fitzgerald; and

Whereas: Tommy Dowd grew up in Inwood, attended Good Shepherd Grammar School, and served as a member of the choir and was an altar boy at Good Shepherd Church. He also attended Dominican College on a two-year scholarship; and

Whereas: In 1984, he married his childhood sweetheart, Kerri-Ann Cregan and they had three children, Heather (now 21), Thomas (now 18) and Brittany (now 14); now

Therefore Be It Resolved: That Community Board 12, Manhattan supports the request to add the name of "Tommy Dowd Way" to the southwest corner of Isham Street and Seaman Avenue.

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Chairman Daniel B. Boyle
State Liquor Authority
84 Holland Avenue
Albany, NY 12208

Re: Washington Heights Billiard, 500 West 207 Street, NYC 10034

Dear Chairman Boyle:

Manhattan Community Board 12 passed the following resolution at its February 28, 2006 General Meeting by a vote of 27 in favor, 1 opposed, with 6 abstentions:

Whereas: Community Board's 12's Economic Development Committee met February 7, 2005 with the owners of Washington Heights Billiard, located at 500 West 207th Street, to review their new application to the New York State Liquor Authority (SLA) for On-Premises Liquor and to make a recommendation to the SLA in accordance with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law (ABC Law); and

Whereas: The business owners satisfactorily responded to questions and comments from the committee and the public regarding their business plan and operations, menu, hours, floor plan, occupancy, sound proofing, music, noise, sanitation, local employment opportunities, selling regulations and other concerns; and

Whereas: The 34th Precinct was contacted and did not report complaints, summonses, violations or other concerns with respect to this business or location; therefore

Be It Resolved: Community Board 12, Manhattan recommends the SLA grant Washington Heights Billiard, 500 West 207th Street, an On-Premises Liquor license with the stipulation the business operates in accordance with all provisions of the ABC Law.

Sincerely,

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