



# Community Board 12M

Washington Heights & Inwood

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October 27, 2004

Mr. Thomas Strumolo  
Director – Greenmarket Program  
NYC Council on the Environment  
130 East 16<sup>th</sup> Street  
New York, NY 10003

Dear Director Strumolo:

The following resolution was passed unanimously by Community Board 12, Manhattan by a vote of 30 in favor, 0 opposed at the board's General Meeting on October 26, 2004:

**Whereas:** A Greenmarket has operated successfully at 175<sup>th</sup> Street for almost 25 years, and the recently opened Greenmarket on Isham Street in Inwood has been a success since its advent in July of this year, but the residents of the southern portion of Washington Heights currently are not served by Greenmarket; and

**Whereas:** 275 community residents signed a petition requesting a Greenmarket in the southern portion of Washington Heights and submitted their request to Community Board 12, Manhattan, which held a meeting at the Church of the Intercession on October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2004 to hear from the community; and

**Whereas:** Tom Strumolo, Greenmarket Director, Council on the Environment, Inc., presented a location at the meeting for consideration: West 155<sup>th</sup> Street between Broadway and Riverside Drive, after visiting the neighborhood several times for potential sites, and having discussed concerns with members of the community and Community Board 12, Manhattan, as well as with representatives of DOT, and of Community Board 9, Manhattan, which has jurisdiction over the south side of West 155<sup>th</sup> Street; and

**Whereas:** Farmers will set up stalls on the north side of West 155<sup>th</sup> Street; and

**Whereas:** The West 155<sup>th</sup> Street Greenmarket would be open between 8am and 4pm on Saturdays, beginning in the spring of 2005, through December, for up to twelve regional farmers to sell fruits, vegetable, and other farm products, with a market manager and a security guard on site at all times for the first year; and

**Whereas:** The existing parking regulations on the north side of West 155<sup>th</sup> Street between Broadway and Riverside Drive (No Parking for street cleaning 9am-10:30am Mondays & Thursdays, with a short "No Parking 7am-7pm, Monday-Friday" mid-block) would be altered to include a prohibition of parking on Saturdays, 8am-4pm to accommodate the Greenmarket, and that Community Board 9, Manhattan perhaps will request the removal of the no parking restrictions on the south side of the street so that there could be a net gain of parking for the community; and

**Whereas:** Greenmarket will explore the viability of a year-round market based on the success of the Spring-through-December market in its first year of operation; and

**Whereas:** Greenmarket has agreed to advertise and promote local businesses and restaurants, which obtain ingredients from Greenmarket farmers each week, to donate unsold produce to local food pantries and soup kitchens in Washington Heights recommended by Community Board 12, Manhattan, and to help our local schools with fundraising and to conduct Greenmarket educational tours; now, therefore

**Be it Resolved:** That Community Board 12, Manhattan, recommends a Greenmarket on West 155<sup>th</sup> Street between Broadway and Riverside Drive, on Saturdays between 8am and 4pm, beginning in the Spring of 2005 through December, and close as much of the north side of the street to parking during those times as may be needed.

We look forward to your response in this matter. Thank you.

Martin Collins, Chairman

Sincerely,



Martin Collins  
Chairman

cc: Hon. C. Virginia Fields, Manhattan Borough President  
Hon. Charles Rangel, Congressman, District 15  
Hon. Eric Schneiderman, State Senator, District 30  
Hon. Adriano Espaillat, Assemblyman, District 72  
Hon. Herman D. Farrell, Assemblyman, District 71  
Hon. Robert Jackson, Councilman, District 7  
Hon. Miguel Martinez, Councilman, District 10  
Hon. Jordi (George) Reyes-Montblanc, Chair, Community Board 9  
Hon. Margaret Forgione, Dept. Transportation, Borough Commissioner  
Hon. Mildred Duran, Office of the Mayor, Street Activities Permit Office  
Deputy Inspector Jason Wilcox, Commanding Officer, 33<sup>rd</sup> Precinct

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Honorable Gifford Miller  
Speaker  
City Council  
City Hall  
New York, NY 10007

Dear Speaker Miller:

The following resolution was passed unanimously by Community Board 12, Manhattan by a vote of 31 in favor, 0 opposed at the board's General Meeting on October 26, 2004:

**Whereas:** Community Board 12, Manhattan, was petitioned by friends and the family of the late Edith Kamiat to co-name West 169<sup>th</sup> Street from the east side of Fort Washington Avenue to the west side of Broadway, "Edith Kamiat Place"; and

**Whereas:** Edith Kamiat, a longtime community activist in Washington Heights and former Public Member of the Housing Committee of this board, died on August 7, 2004 at the age of 90 after a long illness; and

**Whereas:** Edith Kamiat was a stalwart fighter for tenants' rights, social justice, and progressive causes. She touched the lives of countless people, whether she was dispensing housing information to tenants over the Metropolitan Council on Housing hotline, registering recent immigrants to vote on the streets in Washington Heights, or making sure her fellow union members received insurance benefits; and

**Whereas:** She lived on West 169<sup>th</sup> Street for 62 years, and for more than 25 years was the chair of the Citizens Committee of Washington Heights, the organization of tenants in 21 buildings owned by Presbyterian Hospital. Besides persistently advocating for repairs and services for her neighbors, she helped lead a citywide coalition of tenants of non-profit institutions seeking to preserve their rent-regulated apartments; and

**Whereas:** Edith Kamiat also was an active member of the Audubon Reform Democratic Club for about 30 years and an officer of the club for much of that time, helping to elect many local officeholders. For 15 or so years, she was a fixture outside her local supermarket on Saturday mornings, where she stood next to her card table, registering hundreds of people to vote and passing out political flyers for the current campaigns in the neighborhood; and


**Whereas:** After her "retirement," she volunteered for Met Council for more than a decade, counseling tenants from around the city on the group's telephone hotline, and became an indispensable part of that citywide organization; and

**Whereas:** Her husband, Jack, died in 1968. They had two sons, Walter and Bruce; and

**Whereas:** Perhaps now more than ever, we need people with this kind of commitment and concern; therefore

**Be It Resolved:** Community Board 12, Manhattan, supports this request to co-name West 169<sup>th</sup> Street, from the east side of Fort Washington Avenue to the west side of Broadway, "Edith Kamiat Place."

Sincerely,

  
Martin Collins  
Chairman

Martin Collins, Chairman

**Cc:** Hon. Michael R. Bloomberg, Mayor, New York City  
Hon. C. Virginia Fields, Manhattan Borough President  
Hon. William Thompson, N.Y.C. Comptroller  
Hon. Betsy Gotbaum, N.Y.C. Public Advocate  
Hon. Charles Rangel, Congressman, District 15  
Hon. Eric Schneiderman, State Senator, District 31  
Hon. David A. Paterson, State Senator, District 29  
Hon. Adriano Espaillat, Assemblyman, District 72  
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**Whereas:** Community Board 12, Manhattan, was petitioned by the family of the late John Patrick Burnside to add his name to the southwest corner of Park Terrace East and West 215<sup>th</sup> Street; and

**Whereas:** Firefighter John Patrick Burnside, 36, was a beloved husband, son, and friend whose life was cut short on September 11, 2001 at the World Trade Center; and

**Whereas:** John Patrick Burnside was born in New York Hospital fifteen minutes before his twin brother, Robert, and was raised with Robert and his younger sister, Annie, in the Inwood area; and

**Whereas:** John Patrick Burnside attended Good Shepherd Elementary School and served as a member of the choir and was an altar boy at Good Shepherd Church. He also attended Saint Raymond's High School in the Bronx and graduated in 1982; and

**Whereas:** He worked as a security guard at Rockefeller Center while attending the New York Institute of Technology. In 1990, he was called for the Police Department; and

**Whereas:** John Patrick Burnside worked for three years in the Central Park Precinct and entered the New York City Fire Department, Ladder 20, in SoHo, in 1994; and

**Whereas:** John Patrick Burnside died with his FDNY brothers on September 11, 2001 and is survived by his wife, Sandra, his parents William and Elizabeth; and

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

**Be It Resolved:** Community Board 12, Manhattan, supports the request to co-name the southwest corner of Park Terrace East and West 215<sup>th</sup> Street, "John Patrick Burnside Way."

Sincerely,

Martin Collins  
Chairman

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Hon. Adriano Espaillat, Assemblyman, District 72  
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Hon. Robert Jackson, Councilman, District 7  
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William & Elizabeth Burnside

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