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May 21, 2021

Stefan Grybauskas, Director
CECM/Street Activity Permit Office
100 Gold Street, 2nd Floor
New York, NY 10038

Dear Mr. Grybauskas:

At its Full Board meeting on May 20, 2021, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

May 2-31 and June 6-27, 2021— Open Culture: Summer Jazz Series (SOB): Little 6th Ave. between Spring St. and Broome St. [full street closure]

Whereas, the applicant did not appear on behalf of this application and therefore the committee was not able to hear the particulars of this event to be held every Sunday in May and June; and

Whereas, the committee has heard from and recommended approval for applicants programming other open culture events at this location; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **denial** of Open Culture: Summer Jazz Series (SOB): Little 6th Ave. between Spring St. and Broome St. [full street closure] from May 2-31 and June 6-27, 2021.

Vote: Passed unanimously with 42 Board members in favor.

Please advise us of any decision or action taken in response to this resolution.

Sincerely,

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Dear Mr. Grybauskas:

At its Full Board meeting on May 20, 2021, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

May 16, 2021— Whitney Museum Community Day: Gansevoort St. between Washington St. and West St. [full street closure]

Whereas, this event will commemorate David Hammons' Days End sculpture completion and unveiling, developed with Hudson River Park Trust, and will be free and open to the public, and will include complimentary museum admission, art making booths, and an art and sound installation by Maggie Lee; and

Whereas, the event will use COVID-19 safety precautions, social distancing, mask wearing, staff and signage; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **approval** of Whitney Museum Community Day: Gansevoort St. between Washington St. and West St. [full street closure] on May 16, 2021, **provided that** the application conforms with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations—including any and all COVID related orders and/or restrictions—and clearance requirements.

Vote: Passed unanimously with 42 Board members in favor.

Please advise us of any decision or action taken in response to this resolution.

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Dear Mr. Grybauskas:

At its Full Board meeting on May 20, 2021, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

May 28-30, 2021—Dior Men's Treat Stand: Greene St. between Spring St. and Prince St. [sidewalk and curb lane closure – west side]

Whereas, this event will take place outside the Dior retail location on Greene Street, and include a custom-made cart next to the curb to highlight the new Riviera Collection at Dior; and

Whereas, the cart will offer lemonade and other refreshments to the public from 11 AM-7 PM and will not be advertised, and will have security watching the cart and garbage will be cleaned throughout the event and at the end of day; and

Whereas, the applicant will be powered by a small, quiet generator within cart, and the curb lane will be used to park a cargo van that will replenish the cart; and

Whereas, the applicant hosted a similar event from December 4-6 2020, with no complaints and there were no issues with sidewalk crowding; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **approval** of Dior Men's Treat Stand: Greene St. between Spring St. and Prince St. [sidewalk and curb lane closure – west side] from May 28-31, 2021, **provided that** the application conforms with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations—including any and all COVID related orders and/or restrictions—and clearance requirements.

Vote: Passed unanimously with 42 Board members in favor.

Please advise us of any decision or action taken in response to this resolution.

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Dear Mr. Grybauskas:

At its Full Board meeting on May 20, 2021, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

Saturday, May 29, 2021 – The Haunting: Immersive Art Memorial (Caran Hartsfield): Astor Place Plaza (South)

Whereas, this event is an art installation to memorialize one year since the murder of George Floyd in Minneapolis, and will include a short film projected onto white fabric in the middle of the plaza; and

Whereas, the memorial will be removed by 10 PM and the applicant is working with the Village Alliance on event logistics; and

Whereas, the applicant will comply with all COVID-19 safety requirements and will encourage social distancing and mask usage by participants; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **approval** of The Haunting: Immersive Art Memorial (Caran Hartsfield): Astor Place Plaza (South) on May 29, 2021, **provided that** the application conforms with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations—including any and all COVID related orders and/or restrictions—and clearance requirements.

Vote: Passed unanimously with 40 Board members in favor and two recusals (C. Flynn and M. Levine).

Please advise us of any decision or action taken in response to this resolution.

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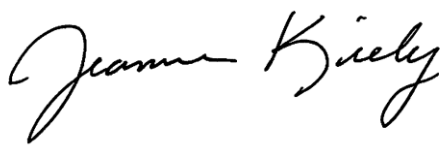

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Dear Mr. Grybauskas:

At its Full Board meeting on May 20, 2021, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

May 31-July 5, 2021—Art Installation (Creative Time, in partnership with NYCDOT, Village Alliance): Astor Place South Plaza [pedestrian plaza]

Whereas, Creative Time, a public arts organization located on East 3rd Street, is collaborating with Village Alliance on an art installation by NYC-based artist Rashid Johnson in the South Plaza of Astor Place; and

Whereas, the installation called Red Stage, is a 30-foot wide, 16-foot-tall stage-like sculpture, and it will be erected beginning May 31 and removed on July 5, and will be programmed with community workshops, artist presentations, and performances; and

Whereas, Creative Space is using guidelines for all participants that will center and respect the community of and around Astor Place, its neighbors, and the multiple histories that have taken place at this site; and

Whereas, there will be ten feet of clearance on all sides of the installation for pedestrian access, and the structure will not interfere with the farmers market sited in the plaza; and

Whereas, most of the programmed activations will take place on the sculpture, and some will include an audience of up to 150 people, and the organizers will use chalk and stencils to mark social distance requirements, and some activations will use existing plaza seating; and

Whereas, on June 19, 2021, the Public Theatre will host a Joe's Pub Block Party Make Music event with the Village Alliance utilizing the sculpture; and

Whereas, any use of amplified sound is restricted to the hours of 5-9 PM, and the applicant is working with Thrill Life Productions, a NYS licensed operations and security team to site manage, and masks will be required on site, and a daily health questionnaire will be required of participants; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **approval** of Art Installation (Creative Time, in partnership with NYCDOT, Village Alliance): Astor Place South Plaza (Note: Art Installation by Rashid Johnson with cultural programming by various artists, curated by Creative Time) [pedestrian plaza] from May 31-July 5, 2021, **provided that** the application conforms with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations—including any and all COVID related orders and/or restrictions—and clearance requirements.

Vote: Passed unanimously with 40 Board members in favor and two recusals (C. Flynn and M. Levine).

Please advise us of any decision or action taken in response to this resolution.

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Dear Mr. Grybauskas:

At its Full Board meeting on May 20, 2021, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

Saturday, June 12, 2021—Prouder Than Ever Celebration (JECTNYC LLC): West 10th St. between Greenwich Ave. and Waverly Place [sidewalk and curb lane closure]

Whereas, JECT is a medical office located at 138 West 10th Street and opened this location two years ago and has been striving to stay in this location despite the loss of business during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

Whereas, the applicant hopes to host a pride event from 11 AM-4PM on the sidewalk in front of their storefront in partnership with the Ali Forney Center, a non-profit organization serving at-risk LGBTQ youth, and the applicant will play ambient music, host an informational table, and offer free refreshments; and

Whereas, the applicant spoke to the NYPD about this event and will not block access to the bike lane on this block and plan to discuss the event with the FDNY to ensure that access is not impeded for emergency vehicles; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **approval** of Prouder Than Ever Celebration (JECTNYC LLC): West 10th St. between Greenwich Ave. and Waverly Place [sidewalk and curb lane closure] on June 12, 2021, **provided that** the application conforms with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations—including any and all COVID related orders and/or restrictions—and clearance requirements.

Vote: Passed unanimously with 42 Board members in favor.

Please advise us of any decision or action taken in response to this resolution.

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Dear Mr. Grybauskas:

At its Full Board meeting on May 20, 2021, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

June 11-13, 2021—New York City Flower Show (Meatpacking Bid): Gansevoort St. between Hudson St. and 9th Ave. [full street closure]

Whereas, the applicant appeared before Community Board 2 in April 2021 and was unanimously recommended for approval for a permit for the New York City Flower Show presented in the Gansevoort pedestrian plazas and the applicant hopes to use this location for a related flower market; and

Whereas, the applicant was advised by the Street Activity Permit Office (SAPO) to apply for a 29-day concession agreement from the Department of Transportation (DOT) in order to sell merchandise at this event; and

Whereas, concerns were raised that a 29-day concession agreement procured through the DOT is not the customary procedure used for revenue generating street closures and more information is needed from SAPO as to this arrangement; and

Whereas, the applicant stated that SAPO indicated that it would permit the closures during open street and overnight closure, and that the DOT would permit for other times under the 29-day concession permit; and

Whereas, the applicant is presenting an European-style flower market with 10'X10' tents for each of 20 florists and that five tents would be used by non-florist concessionaires, the event would occur from 11 AM- 7 PM, with set-up on June 11 and load-out on June 13; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **approval** of New York City Flower Show (Meatpacking Bid): Gansevoort St. between Hudson St. and 9th Ave. [full street closure]

from June 11-13, 2021, **provided that** the application conforms with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations—including any and all COVID related orders and/or restrictions—and clearance requirements.

Vote: Passed unanimously with 41 Board members in favor and one recusal (D. Raftery).

Please advise us of any decision or action taken in response to this resolution.

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Dear Mr. Grybauskas:

At its Full Board meeting on May 20, 2021, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

Saturday, June 12, 2021—Sakara Life Food Truck: Spring St. between Mulberry St. and Mott St. [curb lane closure only – south side]

Whereas, the applicant wishes to host a food truck from 10 AM-4 PM to offer free samples of iced coffee made with Sakara Life powder, a product currently sold at the Naked Retail storefront at 244 Mulberry Street; and

Whereas, the applicant will utilize two curb lane spots and will adhere to covid precautions and will have staff outside the truck maintaining social distancing, and there will be recycling bins outside the truck, and the truck will be powered by a small generator; and

Whereas, a member of the community appeared and expressed concern that this truck would be parked directly outside DeSalvio Playground, a very busy location on Saturdays with families, and that generators don't have regulations and tend to be "nasty, dirty, and noisy," and this would be an inappropriate use of the space; and

Whereas, the committee considered that this is an one-time, one-day event, and that it was important in this phase of the COVID-19 recovery to support commerce and that this event doesn't signal a precedent for future events; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **approval** of Sakara Life Food Truck: Spring St. between Mulberry St. and Mott St. [curb lane closure only – south side] from June 12, 2021, **provided that** the application conforms with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations—including any and all COVID related orders and/or restrictions—and clearance requirements.

Vote: Passed unanimously with 42 Board members in favor.

Please advise us of any decision or action taken in response to this resolution.

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Dear Mr. Grybauskas:

At its Full Board meeting on May 20, 2021, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

June 14-29, 2021—NYC Pride – Production Event (Heritage of Pride, Inc.): Christopher St. between Greenwich St. and Washington St. [curb lane closure only]

Whereas, the applicant did not appear on behalf of this application and the committee was not able to hear the particulars of the need for the curb lane closure; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **denial** of NYC Pride – Production Event (Heritage of Pride, Inc.): Christopher St. between Greenwich St. and Washington St. from June 14-29, 2021 [curb lane closure].

Vote: Passed unanimously with 42 Board members in favor.

Please advise us of any decision or action taken in response to this resolution.

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Dear Mr. Grybauskas:

At its Full Board meeting on May 20, 2021, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

Friday, June 4, 2021— Academy of St. Joseph Family Fun Day: Washington Place between Barrow St. and 6th Ave. [full street closure]

Whereas, the applicant is a pre-kindergarten through 8th grade elementary school associated with St. Joseph church on Sixth Avenue and hopes to host a fundraiser and block party from 11 AM to 4 PM on this short stretch of street; and

Whereas, this stretch of Washington Place is currently closed from 11:30 AM to 12:40 PM for the school to have recess, and the applicant originally requested June 22nd as the date of the event but asked the committee to consider this date, June 4th instead; and

Whereas, the pandemic has been a difficult time for the school and the gala will provide an opportunity to allow parents to see inside classrooms in turns, and the gala will be primarily held outside and only will be open to school kids and families; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **approval** of Academy of St. Joseph Family Fun Day: Washington Place between Barrow St. and 6th Ave. [full street closure] on June 22, 2021, **provided that** the application conforms with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations—including any and all COVID related orders and/or restrictions—and clearance requirements.

Vote: Passed unanimously with 42 Board members in favor.

Please advise us of any decision or action taken in response to this resolution.

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Dear Mr. Grybauskas:

At its Full Board meeting on May 20, 2021, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

June 30, 2021—Anonymous Gallery (136 Baxter St.) Public Neighborhood Gathering: Baxter St. between Hester St. and Grand St. [sidewalk and street closure -both sides]

Whereas, the applicant did not appear on behalf of this application and the committee was not able to hear the particulars of the need for the full street and sidewalk closure; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **denial** of Anonymous Gallery (136 Baxter St.) Public Neighborhood Gathering: Baxter St. between Hester St. and Grand St. [sidewalk and street closure -both sides] on June 30, 2021.

Vote: Passed unanimously with 42 Board members in favor.

Please advise us of any decision or action taken in response to this resolution.

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Dear Mr. Grybauskas:

At its Full Board meeting on May 20, 2021, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

Saturday, August 21, 2021—Astor Place Festival (Village Crosstown Trolley): Astor Place between Broadway and Lafayette St. [full street closure]

Whereas, this would be the 24th Annual occurrence of this street festival, and it was canceled last year because of the pandemic; and

Whereas, this is a typical Clearview Festivals event with vendors selling t-shirts, refreshments, socks, wallets, and the like, and the festival would be held from 9 AM to 6 PM, with set-up starting at 9 AM and breakdown finished by 8 PM; and

Whereas, the committee expressed concern that the non-profit sponsoring organization does not maintain an active presence in the community; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **denial** of Astor Place Festival (Village Crosstown Trolley): Astor Place between Broadway and Lafayette St. [full street closure] on August 21, 2021.

Vote: Passed unanimously with 42 Board members in favor.

Please advise us of any decision or action taken in response to this resolution.

Sincerely,

Jeannine Kiely, Chair
Community Board 2, Manhattan

Joseph Gallagher. Chair
Quality of Life Committee
Community Board 2, Manhattan

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c: Hon. Jerrold Nadler, U.S. Representative
Hon. Brad Hoylman, State Senator
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May 21, 2021

Stefan Grybauskas, Director
CECM/Street Activity Permit Office
100 Gold Street, 2nd Floor
New York, NY 10038

Dear Mr. Grybauskas:

At its Full Board meeting on May 20, 2021, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

Street Activities FYI/Renewals:

1. **4/23/21 – 12/31/21 -Weekend Flea Market at Our Lady of Pompeii Church: Bleecker St. between Carmine St. and Leroy St.** ***Note: West Village on Bleecker St. between Leroy and Carmine. Vendor tables will line up against the wall of the church).*** **[partial sidewalk closure]**
2. **6/19/21 – Leslie-Lohman Museum Block Party: Wooster St. between Grand St. and Canal St. [full street closure]**
3. **8/26/21 – Charlton Street Festival (Children's Museum of the Arts Inc.): Charlton St. between Varick St. and Hudson St. [full street closure]**
4. **9/23/21 – Charlton Street Festival (Village Visiting Neighbors): Charlton St. between Varick St. and Hudson St. [full street closure]**
5. **10/21/21 – PopUp Hudson Square Fare (Hudson Square District Management Association): King St. between Hudson St. and Greenwich St. [full street closure]**
6. **10/30/21 – Bleecker Street Festival (Village Visiting Neighbors): Bleecker St. between Broadway and Lafayette St. [full street closure]**

Whereas, these events have been held continuously for many years and no recent complaints have been received; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **approval** of the renewal applications **provided that** the applications conform with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations—including any and all COVID related orders and/or restrictions—and clearance requirements.

Vote: Passed unanimously with 42 Board members in favor.

Please advise us of any decision or action taken in response to this resolution.

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