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September 20, 2019

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 September 19, 2019, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution, which was previously approved by its Executive Committee on August 20, 2019:

Sunday, August 18, 2019 – Cornelia Street Block Association (Cornelia Street Block Association): Cornelia St. between West 4th St. and Bleecker St. [full Street closure]

Whereas, the applicant failed to appear on behalf of this application and no member of the public appeared to express support for or opposition to this application and the event has already occurred; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **denial** of **Cornelia Street Block Association (Cornelia Street Block Association): Cornelia St. between West 4th St. and Bleecker St. [full Street closure]** on **August 18, 2019**.

Vote: Unanimous, with 13 Executive Committee 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 September 19, 2019, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution, which was previously approved by its Executive Committee on August 20, 2019:

**Saturday, August 24, 2019 – NYSP Yeezy 500 Bone White Shoe Release (Werner Hellmann):
Houston St. between Broadway and Crosby St. [partial sidewalk closure]**

Whereas, the applicant is applying for a partial sidewalk closure at this location, in front of one of Adidas' retail locations, to queue expectant customers for the launch of a sneaker designed in collaboration with Kanye West; and

Whereas, the applicant wishes to use the public sidewalk from 8 AM-4PM in order to maintain line control even though the retail space at this location is very large and presumably large enough to house the customers inside the store; and

Whereas, the launch for this sneaker is happening concurrently at three other NYC Adidas locations and will be managed by the security firm, Werner Hellmann, which has worked with Adidas at both the CB2 Adidas locations for the past 2 + years; and

Whereas, Werner Hellmann was not contracted to monitor and maintain the line for the recent Arizona Iced Tea/Adidas collaboration and product launch on Bowery and Rivington which was described by the NY Post this way, “[a] marketing stunt by Adidas and AriZona Iced Tea that promised dirt-cheap limited-edition shoes descended into chaos Thursday morning — with one person carted away in an ambulance and two arrests — when sneakerheads started rioting after learning they might not get their kicks fix;” and

Whereas, it has become clear that the marketing strategy for Adidas in lower Manhattan is to create Instagram-ready publicity stunts, selling limited edition sneakers to a lucky few who often resell purchased sneakers to the highest bidder; and

Whereas, Adidas has recently employed a line-control mobile app that somewhat mitigates the throngs of people lining up to purchase these sneakers; and

Whereas, despite the utilization of this line control app, neighboring residents continue to be inconvenienced by this business model which essentially restricts their access to their own sidewalk for long stretches of time in order to facilitate the business model of this multi-billion, multi-national corporation; and

Whereas, residents of SoHo have been crying out for relief from this business model for many, many years and the City has failed to offer any solutions or even mitigations to improve and restore the quality of life of all the residents and businesses of SoHo; and

Whereas, the applicant was unable to articulate how this product-launch will benefit the community in any way; and

Whereas, Community Board 2 has been inundated with these types of product launches creating disturbances and occasional altercations throughout the district; and

Whereas, six residents of SoHo, including an across-the-street neighbor of Adidas, appeared at the meeting to voice their strong disapproval of this and similar events, describing the deleterious impact these events have had on the neighborhood and on their own quality of life; and

Whereas, this application is part of an ever increasing trend to commercially exploit the Village, NoHo, Little Italy and SoHo with a bombardment of requests to use public space for private commercial use while the aforementioned communities receive nothing in exchange but crowds, noise, garbage, congestion, public urination, melées and the like; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **denial** of — **NYSP Yeezy 500 Bone White Shoe Release (Werner Hellmann): Houston St. between Broadway and Crosby St. [partial sidewalk closure]** on August 24, 2019.

Vote: Unanimous, with 13 Executive Committee members in favor

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Dear Mr. Grybauskas:

At its Full Board meeting on September 19, 2019, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution, which was previously approved by its Executive Committee on August 20, 2019:

Saturday, August 24, 2019 – Spring Street Yeezy 500 Bone White Shoe Release (Werner Hellmann): Spring Street between Greene and Mercer Streets [partial sidewalk closure]

Whereas, the applicant is applying for a partial sidewalk closure at this location, in front of one of Adidas' retail locations, to queue expectant customers for the launch of a sneaker designed in collaboration with Kanye West; and

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Whereas, this application is part of an ever increasing trend to commercially exploit the Village, NoHo, Little Italy and SoHo with a bombardment of requests to use public space for private commercial use while the aforementioned communities receive nothing in exchange but crowds, noise, garbage, congestion, public urination, melées and the like; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **denial** of — **Spring Street Yeezy 500 Bone White Shoe Release (Werner Hellmann): Spring Street between Greene and Mercer Streets [partial sidewalk closure]** on August 24, 2019.

Vote: Unanimous, with 13 Executive Committee members in favor

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Dear Mr. Grybauskas:

At its Full Board meeting on September 19, 2019, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution, which was previously approved by its Executive Committee on August 20, 2019:

Saturday, August 31, 2019 – Spring Street Yeezy 500 Bone White Shoe Release (Werner Hellmann): Spring Street between Greene and Mercer Streets [partial sidewalk closure]

Whereas, the applicant is applying for a partial sidewalk closure at this location, in front of one of Adidas' retail locations, to queue expectant customers for the launch of a sneaker designed in collaboration with Kanye West; and

Whereas, the applicant wishes to use the public sidewalk from 8 AM-4PM in order to maintain line control; and

Whereas, the launch for this sneaker is happening concurrently at three other NYC Adidas locations and will be managed by the security firm, Werner Hellmann, which has worked with Adidas at both the CB2 Adidas locations for the past 2 + years; and

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Whereas, Community Board 2 has been inundated with these types of product launches creating disturbances and occasional altercations throughout the district; and

Whereas, six residents of SoHo, including an across the street neighbor of Adidas, appeared at the meeting to voice their strong disapproval of this and similar events, describing the deleterious impact these events have had on the neighborhood and on their own quality of life; and

Whereas, this application is part of an ever increasing trend to commercially exploit the Village, NoHo, Little Italy and SoHo with a bombardment of requests to use public space for private commercial use while the aforementioned communities receive nothing in exchange but crowds, noise, garbage, congestion, public urination, melées and the like; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **denial** of — **Spring Street Yeezy 500 Bone White Shoe Release (Werner Hellmann): Spring Street between Greene and Mercer Streets [partial sidewalk closure]** on August 31, 2019.

Vote: Unanimous, with 13 Executive Committee members in favor

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Dear Mr. Grybauskas:

At its Full Board meeting on September 19, 2019, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution, which was previously approved by its Executive Committee on August 20, 2019:

Thursday, September 5, 2019 – Lands End x Rowing Blazers Launch Party (Grand Street btw. Centre & Lafayette Sts.) [sidewalk and curb lane closure]

Whereas, the applicant is hosting a launch party event with Lands End within the Rowing Blazers store at 161 Grand Street and wishes to use the sidewalk for queueing guests and the curb lane to park a 25-foot airstream trailer to act as a “roving billboard” outside the store which will be open to guests; and

Whereas, the applicant will also use the sidewalk and curb space to place a few clothes racks and mannequins; and

Whereas, the 25-foot airstream and its 20-foot trailer will be parked on Center Street at the intersection of Grand Street; and

Whereas, set-up will begin at 1:00 PM with the event taking place between 6-8:30 PM, with breakdown completed at 11:30 PM; and

Whereas, six frustrated residents of SoHo appeared to express the fatigue these events have caused for SoHo and the residents therein and were concerned that these events were being permitted in this incredibly congested area of Manhattan; and

Whereas, this application is part of an ever increasing trend to commercially exploit lower Manhattan with a bombardment of requests to use public space for private commercial use while the community receives nothing in exchange but crowds, noise, garbage, congestion, and the like; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **denial** of the **Lands End x Rowing Blazers Launch Party (Lands End, Inc.): Grand St. between Centre St. and Lafayette St. [sidewalk and curb lane closure]** on September 5, 2019.

Vote: Unanimous, with 13 Executive Committee members in favor

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Dear Mr. Grybauskas:

At its Full Board meeting on September 19, 2019, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution, which was previously approved by its Executive Committee on August 20, 2019:

Sunday, September 8, 2019 (set up Friday-Saturday, September 6-7) — West 8th Street Activation (iDEKO Production): West 8th St. between MacDougal St. and 5th Ave. [full street closure]

Whereas, the applicant is an events production company appearing on behalf of Staud, an L.A. based, vintage inspired, women's clothing brand; and

Whereas, the applicant wishes to host Staud's fall fashion show on West 8th Street, a street which has no geographical significance to the fashion label, which has a wholesale showroom in SoHo and a showroom in LA; and

Whereas, the applicant is leasing an event space on West 8th Street which will act as the center of operations for this large-scale event and the applicant intends to begin preliminary set-up of the event on Friday and Saturday prior to the actual event on Sunday; and

Whereas, the applicant presented plans indicating that the entirety of West 8th Street between the east side of MacDougal and the West side of 5th Avenue would be completely enclosed by metal barricades and the event would take place on an elevated runway just to the east of the Marlton Hotel and in front of the New York Studio School and directly in front of the parking garage beneath the large residential building at 2 Fifth Avenue and the applicant gave no indication that any of these neighboring buildings were notified of this large-scale event to occur directly in front of their storefronts and residential windows early on a Sunday morning; and

Whereas, the plans presented by the applicant **do not include a required fire and emergency vehicle access lane**; and

Whereas, this stretch of West 8th Street is a main thoroughfare for emergency vehicles from Lenox Health Greenwich Village at 7th Avenue and West 12th Street; and

Whereas, the permit on the day of the event is to begin at 12:00 AM with the clearing of cars from the curbside lanes, with West 8th Street being closed to all vehicular traffic at 4 AM, the focus of high intensity production lights will begin at 6:30 AM—this is a Sunday morning—and the full tech rehearsal will begin at 10 AM with 15 minutes of production music at full-volume and 45 minutes at 50% volume, the full show will take place between 11:20-11:30 AM and breakdown will begin soon after with the street open to traffic at 4 PM; and

Whereas, this event will displace and detour several MTA buslines and the applicant did not know the details of how these buses will be rerouted; and

Whereas, this event is within the Village Alliance BID, which, at the time of the meeting, had not been notified about this application or event and the applicant did not indicate that any neighboring businesses or residents had been contacted about this event and the impact it will have on their quality of life and business; and

Whereas, the Village Alliance appeared before Community Board 2 in July 2019 and was unanimously recommended for approval to host the Taste of 8th Food Festival on Thursday, September 12, 2019—**four days after this event**—which is a full street closure on West 8th Street between 5th and 6th Aves from 3 PM-10:30 PM, for a food and drink festival to showcase and promote the restaurants within the Village Alliance BID, and other Greenwich Village restaurants and, while West 8th Street will be closed to vehicular traffic, it will be completely open and accessible to pedestrians and the general public; and

Whereas, the Taste of 8th event will showcase restaurants on 8th Street and is working in full cooperation and conjunction with the Village Alliance and the event will benefit CB2's small businesses while providing a relaxing environment for residents and the public; and

Whereas, it is unacceptable that the Street Activity Permit Office (SAPO) has worked with this applicant to plan this event during the same week as an existing event which would fully close this main artery for 2 days in one week; and

Whereas, there is concern that events like these are planned without community involvement and become seemingly “too big to deny,” as these events are the most disruptive to the quality of life of the community and offer no benefits in exchange; and

Whereas, this application is part of an ever increasing trend to commercially exploit the Village with a bombardment of requests to use public space for private commercial use while the community receives nothing in exchange but crowds, noise, garbage, congestion, and the like; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **denial** of **West 8th Street Activation (iDEKO Production): West 8th St. between MacDougal St. and 5th Ave. [full street closure]** from September 6-8, 2019.

Vote: Unanimous, with 13 Executive Committee 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 September 19, 2019, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution, which was previously approved by its Executive Committee on August 20, 2019:

Saturday-Tuesday, September 7-10, 2019 – CS Global – Tom Ford SS20 Fashion Show (GSS Security Services, Inc.): 1) Kenmare St. between Elizabeth St. and Bowery [curb lane closure only], 2) Bowery between Kenmare St. and Broome St. [partial sidewalk closure]

Whereas, the applicant wishes to use part of the public sidewalk and curb lane at these locations for the loading and unloading of production vehicles and for a stationary “luxury restroom trailer,” generators, and dumpster, and a rope stanchion for queueing guests entering the Tom Ford fashion show which will take place in the decommissioned subway station at the corner of Bowery and Kenmare; and

Whereas, this event is to take place in the midst of set-up and street closures throughout Little Italy for the Feast of San Gennaro and will create further bottle-necks and congestion in this packed area; and

Whereas, this event will divert an MTA bus stop which will inconvenience scores of daily commuters; and

Whereas, six frustrated residents of this area appeared to express the fatigue these events have caused and the residents were concerned that these events were being permitted in this incredibly congested area of Manhattan; and

Whereas, there is concern that events like these are planned without community involvement and become seemingly “too big to deny,” as these events are the most disruptive to the quality of life of the community and offer no benefits in exchange; and

Whereas, this application is part of an ever increasing trend to commercially exploit lower Manhattan with a bombardment of requests to use public space for private commercial use while

the community receives nothing in exchange but crowds, noise, garbage, congestion, and the like;
now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **denial** of **CS Global – Tom Ford SS20 Fashion Show (GSS Security Services, Inc.): 1) Kenmare St. between Elizabeth St. and Bowery [curb lane closure only], 2) Bowery between Kenmare St. and Broome St. [partial sidewalk closure from September 7-10, 2019.**

Vote: Unanimous, with 13 Executive Committee members in favor

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Dear Mr. Grybauskas:

At its Full Board meeting on September 19, 2019, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution, which was previously approved by its Executive Committee on August 20, 2019:

Monday, September 9, 2019 – Lela Rose Spring 2020 Fashion Debut (Lela Rose): Minetta St. between Minetta Lane and Bleecker St. [full street closure]

Whereas, the applicant failed to appear on behalf of this application and no member of the public appeared to express support for or opposition to this application; and

Whereas, this same event was proposed for the same date on Gay Street and the application was considered by Community Board 2 in June of 2019, at which time Community Board 2 unanimously recommended denial for the application because the applicant had no geographical connection to Gay Street or to Community Board 2 generally; and

Whereas, this applicant, a NYC based fashion house, does not have a brick and mortar store and its corporate offices are located on 224 W. 30th Street; and

Whereas, the applicant has previously held small scale fashion shows within New York City, including an event in Washington Square Park in the Spring of 2018; and

Whereas, the committee expressed concern about recommending approval for this event because the block is almost exclusively residential and not accustomed to full street closures for commercial events; and

Whereas, the committee did not see a compelling interest in a full street closure on a weekday for an exclusively commercial event; and

Whereas, it would be deeply concerning if SAPO granted approval to this application after the applicant failed to appear before the community especially in light of the fact that the same application was unanimously recommended for denial for a different location a few blocks away; and

Whereas, this application is part of an ever increasing trend to commercially exploit the Village with a bombardment of requests to use public space for private commercial use while the community receives nothing in exchange but crowds, noise, garbage, congestion, and the like; now **Therefore Be It Resolved** that CB2 Manhattan recommends **denial** of — **Lela Rose Spring 2020 Fashion Debut (Lela Rose): Minetta St. between Minetta Lane and Bleecker St. [full street closure]** on September 9, 2019.

Vote: Unanimous, with 13 Executive Committee members in favor

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September 20, 2019

Stefan Grybauskas, Director
CECM/Street Activity Permit Office
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Dear Mr. Grybauskas:

At its Full Board meeting on September 19, 2019, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution, which was previously approved by its Executive Committee on August 20, 2019:

Thursday, September 12, 2019 – Heermance Farm Party in NYC (Greenwich Village Chelsea Chamber of Commerce, LLC): Weehawken St. between Christopher St. and West 10th St. [sidewalk and curb lane closure]

Whereas, this event will be held on the sidewalk and curb lane of this one-block portion of Weehawken Street and the applicant owns and operates the Heermance Farm Purveyors shop at 183 Christopher Street and also lives along this block of Weehawken Street; and

Whereas, the event is a free, open-to-the-public event and will take place from 6-9 PM and the applicant will erect small tents to protect refreshments from the elements; and

Whereas, the applicant intends to thoroughly clean this street and sidewalk both before and after the event and will leave the street cleaner than they found it; and

Whereas, the applicant hopes to bring together community members for this event; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **approval** of – **Heermance Farm Party in NYC (Greenwich Village Chelsea Chamber of Commerce, LLC): Weehawken St. between Christopher St. and West 10th St. [sidewalk and curb lane closure] on September 12, 2019.**

Vote: Unanimous, with 13 Executive Committee members in favor

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

Sincerely,



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Community Board 2, Manhattan



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Dear Mr. Grybauskas:

At its Full Board meeting on September 19, 2019, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution, which was previously approved by its Executive Committee on August 20, 2019:

Wednesday, October 2, 2019 – She’s the First: Sullivan St. between West Houston and Prince St. [full street closure]

Whereas, the applicant amended the original application from September 12, 2019 to October 2, 2019; and

Whereas, this applicant, She’s The First is a non-profit organization with an office at 590 6th Avenue at West 17th Street, not in CB2; and

Whereas, the applicant is co-hosting this event with a resident of SoHo, who does not live on this block of Sullivan Street; and

Whereas, the applicant did not present any detailed plans indicating what the event was to include; and

Whereas, the block of Sullivan Street has no geographical significance to the applicant; and

Whereas, the applicant did not indicate that any residents or businesses on this block were in support of this application; and

Whereas, CB2 previously recommended approval for a full street closure on this same block for the annual Slice Out Hunger event which is to be held **the day after this event** and would mean a full street closure for this residential block two days in a row, which is an inconvenience for the residents and businesses on this block; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **denial** of **She’s the First: Sullivan St. between West Houston and Prince St. [full street closure]** on Wednesday, October 2, 2019.

Vote: Unanimous, with 13 Executive Committee 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 September 19, 2019, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution, which was previously approved by its Executive Committee on August 20, 2019:

**Saturday, September 21, 2019 – Friends 25th Anniversary (Warner Bros. Television):
Bedford St. between Barrow St. and Grove St. [full sidewalk closure]**

Whereas, the applicant failed to appear on behalf of this application and 7 members of the public appeared to express concern about this application and for a related Friends pop-up store in SoHo—which is not before the committee but is of grave concern because of the impact the crowds will have on the residents and businesses in SoHo; and

Whereas, the applicant has proposed to use the sidewalk at this location for the installation of a couch—modeled after the coffee house couch on the TV show Friends—such sidewalk is incredibly narrow and cannot contain the throngs of people anticipated for this event; and

Whereas, the applicant wishes to place a couch within photo distance of Little Owl—a longstanding neighborhood restaurant that is housed within the façade of a building made famous as the exterior of the building that housed the central characters on Friends; and

Whereas, a representative from Little Owl appeared and expressed concern that the applicant had failed to contact them regarding this planned event; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **denial** of the **Friends 25th Anniversary (Warner Bros. Television): Bedford St. between Barrow St. and Grove St. [full sidewalk closure]** on September 21, 2019.

Vote: Unanimous, with 13 Executive Committee 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 September 19, 2019, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution, which was previously approved by its Executive Committee on August 20, 2019:

Saturday-Sunday, September 21-22, 2019 — Window Into Seoul Celebration (Bloomingdales SoHo): Broadway between Spring St. and Broome St. [sidewalk and curb lane closure]

Whereas, the applicant failed to appear on behalf of this application and 6 members of the public appeared to express strong opposition to this application; and

Whereas, Bloomingdales wishes to place a Korilla food truck at this location for two consecutive days to highlight the latest Bloomingdales shop theme; and

Whereas, residents and businesses in this area of SoHo have been working tirelessly to deal with the unpermitted and prohibited food trucks that clog these congested curbs of Broadway and feel that allowing this food truck would send mixed messages to the unpermitted food vendors who operate illegally in this area; and

Whereas, it would be of great concern if SAPO were to approve applications when the applicant has failed to appear before the community to explain the details of these applications; now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **denial** of **Window Into Seoul Celebration (Bloomingdales SoHo): Broadway between Spring St. and Broome St. [sidewalk and curb lane closure]** from September 21-22, 2019.

Vote: Unanimous, with 13 Executive Committee 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 September 19, 2019, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution, which was previously approved by its Executive Committee on August 20, 2019:

Sunday, September 22, 2019 — Edible Schoolyard NYC II Buco Pig Roast (Edible Schoolyard NYC): Bond St. between Bowery and Lafayette St. [sidewalk and curb lane closure]

Whereas, the applicant failed to appear on behalf of this application and no member of the public appeared to express support for or opposition to this application; and

Whereas, this same event did not take place in 2018, but CB2 unanimously recommended denial in 2017 for the same event stating that “three members of the public spoke about how this event has been conducted in previous years, especially regarding smoke from the fire pit causing apartments and clothes smelling of pig smoke and placement of service areas, tables and chairs on the sidewalk and/or in the curb lane in front of businesses and buildings that did not want aspects of the event in front of their premises;” now

Therefore Be It Resolved that CB2 Manhattan recommends **denial** of **Edible Schoolyard NYC II Buco Pig Roast (Edible Schoolyard NYC): Bond St. between Bowery and Lafayette St. [sidewalk and curb lane closure]** on September 22, 2019.

Vote: Unanimous, with 13 Executive Committee members in favor

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

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At its Full Board meeting on September 19, 2019, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution, which was previously approved by its Executive Committee on August 20, 2019:

FYI/Street Activity Renewals:

10/31/19 – NYU and CB2 Children’s Halloween Parade (NYU and CB2): LaGuardia Place between Washington Square South and West 3rd St. [full street closure]

Whereas, Community Board 2, as co-sponsor of this event, has been advised by the Conflicts of Interest Board to refrain from voting on this street activity.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB2, Man. takes no position on this application.

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

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