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December 23, 2016

Luis Sanchez  
Commissioner  
Department of Transportation  
55 Water St. 9<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10041

Dear Commissioner Sanchez:

At its Full Board meeting December 22, 2016, Community Board #2, adopted the following resolution:

**Resolution requesting replacement of overly bright LED street lights with less harsh and glaring street lights on Barrow/Bedford Streets.**

**Whereas** the NYC Department of Transportation (DOT) recently installed new excessively bright LED street lights on Barrow/Bedford Sts. that residents report inundate their environment with a harsh, eerily blue-toned glare; and

**Whereas** these new LED lights have interfered both with people's ability to sleep and their ability to concentrate, while also depriving their locality of its formerly warm and neighborhood-friendly atmosphere by inflicting an all-pervasive strip-mall-like overpowering glow; and

**Whereas** blue LED lights also can disturb body clocks and behavior patterns, posing a further concern for harm from their unnatural intensity; and

**Therefore be it resolved** that Community Board 2, Manhattan (CB2) strongly urges DOT to immediately replace the overly bright LED street lights on Barrow/Bedford Streets with street lights that are warmer in color, lower in wattage and intensity and covered with appropriate shielding.

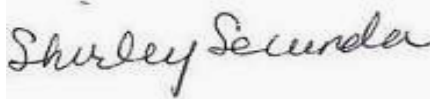
**Vote: Passed, with 34 Board Members in favor.**  
**Against, 1 Board Member (Rocio Sanz)**

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

Sincerely,



Terri Cude, Chair  
Community Board #2, Manhattan



Shirley Secunda, Chair  
Traffic & Transportation Committee  
Community Board #2, Manhattan

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