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November 15, 2013

Emil Lissauer, Director CECM/Street Activity Permit Office 100 Gold Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor New York, NY 10038

Dear Mr. Lissauer:

At its Full Board meeting on, October 24, 2013, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

## **Applications for Street Activities Permits:**

Whereas, CB2 Manhattan attempts to determine within its ability that each sponsor is a community-based, not-for-profit organization, association, or the like, which has an indigenous relationship to the specific street, community or both, and

Whereas, community groups were notified and the applicant was present regarding the first application below, and

Whereas, the remaining item – noted as FYI – Renewals below – have been held for 3 or more years, and after the items were published on the CB2 Calendar of Meetings, no members of the community requested a public hearing be held regarding them, so CB2 Manhattan has no issue with these applications,

• 11/19/13 Balenciaga Flagship Store Opening, Wooster St. bet W. Houston St. & Prince St.

Whereas, the applicant representatives, Jihye Song and Chuck Garelick, appeared before the committee, and

Whereas, the representatives stated that the application has been subsequently corrected and the event (and the client's 2 stores) is on Mercer St bet W. Houston & Prince St, not on Wooster St as originally filed, and

**Whereas**, the street closure (actually 2 separate ones) is primarily intended for erection and disassembly of an 18' high canopy over the street and to allow for safe crossing of the street of patrons going between subsequent events at the two Balenciaga stores, and

**Whereas,** the application requested setup to begin at 7am, but the committee as always requested setup start no earlier than 8am, and the representatives agreed, and

**Whereas**, the applicant offered two options for the teardown of the canopy: that night after the completion of the event around 11pm (which would likely take to 1am) OR; the next morning from 8am to 10am, and

Whereas, the committee felt that due to the lateness of the event end, disassembly of the canopy the next morning would be less disruptive to the residents of the block,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 2 Manhattan recommends APPROVAL of this event on Mercer St. bet W. Houston St. & Prince St.

## CONDITIONAL UPON the conditions noted in Whereas 4, 5 and 6

Vote: Unanimous, with 38 Board members in favor.

## **FYI Renewals:**

• 12/8/13 Feast of the Immaculate Conception 2013, W.14th St. bet. 8th & 9th Avenue

Vote: Unanimous, with 38 Board members in favor.

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

Sincerely,

David Gruber, Chair

Community Board #2, Manhattan

Maury Schott, Chair

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Sidewalks & Public Access Committee

Community Board #2, Manhattan

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