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April 6, 2018

Hon. Bill de Blasio Mayor, City of New York City Hall New York, NY 10007

Re: Budget Allocations to NYPD for Pier 76

Dear Mayor de Blasio,

The City's Preliminary Budget for 2019 contains multiple entries, totaling in excess of \$26 million, requested by the New York City Police Department ("NYPD") for construction on Pier 76, the location of the tow pound. As Manhattan Community Board 4 ("MCB4") expects the NYPD to move the tow pound and vacate Pier 76, we question the need for, and the intended uses of, this funding.

Twenty years ago, Hudson River Park (the "Park") was created by the State of New York with the adoption of the Hudson River Park Act (the "HRP Act"). The Park was desperately needed, particularly in the Chelsea and Clinton/Hell's Kitchen neighborhoods that make up Manhattan Community District 4 ("District 4"), as these neighborhoods were starved for public open space. Unfortunately, much of the Park in these neighborhoods remains unfinished, twenty years later.

The HRP Act states: "The City of New York shall use best efforts to relocate the tow pound on Pier 76." (HRP Act, section 7, subdivision 9, paragraph (c)). The HRP Act further provides that once the tow pound is moved, Pier 76 will be turned over to the Hudson River Park Trust for development as part of the Park.

Pier 76 is the largest space still available for expansion of the Park in Community District 4. With the goal of having this pier developed as public open space, for thirteen consecutive annual cycles, since at least 2006, as part of its response to the City budget, MCB4 has requested that funding be allocated to the NYPD to vacate

Pier 76, as contemplated by the HRP Act. The NYPD has consistently responded that it will not leave Pier 76.

As shown on the attached excerpts of the Preliminary Budget, on page 1213, \$7,700,000 is allocated for reconstruction of the roof of the tow pound. Page 1215 contains additional funding for electrical work on Pier 76. Finally, on page 1273, an excess of \$18,700,000 is devoted to "construction" at Pier 76.

MCB4 has no issue with money that is spent to secure the safety and stability of the pier itself. Indeed, we understand that some of the requested funding is designated for underlying infrastructure work that is needed to ensure that the pier does not collapse. We also understand that the electrical work is being funded with Federal Sandy relief funds. However, we oppose funding the reconstruction of the tow pound roof and want confirmation that the \$18.7 million dedicated to "construction" will be used to maintain the safety and stability of the pier, as opposed to maintenance or upgrades to the tow pound structure.

MCB4 requests detailed information regarding how the NYPD intends to spend the requested money. To the extent these allocations have been requested by the NYPD to allow continued operations at Pier 76, this does not constitute "best efforts" to relocate the tow pound. At its April 4th Full Board Meeting, MCB4 voted to respectfully request that this money instead be designated to relocate the tow pound or be removed from the City's 2019 budget with 34 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstaining and 0 present but not eligible to vote. The NYPD needs to invest in securing a new home for the tow pound and moving to that location, not spending money rehabilitating a structure on a pier that should be part of the Park.

With the massive development of Hudson Yards just blocks from Pier 76, additional public open space in this area of District 4 is imperative, and is a priority of MCB4. We urge you to work with us and help the NYPD relocate the tow pound from Pier 76 promptly, instead of renovating a space that the community, our local elected officials and State law have been urging the NYPD to vacate for the past twenty years.

Sincerely,

Burt Lazarin Chair

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FY 2018 AUTHORIZED COMMITMENT PLAN WITH FY 2018 PLAN AND FORECAST AND ACTUALS (\$ IN THOUSANDS / COMMITMENT TOTALS EXCLUSIVE OF IFA)

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