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November 19, 2019

Bill de Blasio Mayor City Hall New York, New York 10007

James O'Neill Commissioner New York City Police Department 1 Police Plaza New York, New York 10038

Re: Pier 76 NYPD Tow Pound Relocation

Dear Mayor de Blasio and Commissioner O'Neill,

Manhattan Community Board 4 (MCB4) thanks you and your staff for their presentation to MCB4's Waterfront, Parks & Environment Committee (WPE) on October 10, 2019 regarding the preliminary planning to relocate the Tow Pound off Pier 76, as required by the Hudson River Park Act.

At the public meeting, your staff indicated that a consultant has been hired and the consultant's report for the first phase is already complete. Furthermore, a report on the second phase will be completed in November 2019, with a final report to be completed in February 2020. MCB4 asks that your office provide MCB4 with a copy of the consultant's first phase report and the subsequent reports as they become available.

As you know, the relocation of the tow pound from Pier 76 will facilitate the redesign of the pier as open space for the community and a future commercial use that will help subsidize the operation of Hudson River Park. The relocation and completion of the redesign of the pier has

been a long-time goal of MCB4<sup>1</sup>. We appreciate both your and City Council Speaker Corey Johnson's attention to this project.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to relocate the Tow Pound in a timely manner. This letter was voted on and passed at MCB4's November 6<sup>th</sup> Full Board meeting with 37 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstaining, and 0 present but not eligible to vote.

Sincerely,

**Burt Lazarin** 

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cc: Hon. Jerrold Nadler, U.S. Congress

Hon. Brad Hoylman, NYS Senate

Hon. Linda Rosenthal, NYS Assembly

Hon. Richard Gottfried, NYS Assembly

Hon. Corey Johnson, New York City Council Speaker

Hon. Gale Brewer, Manhattan Borough President

Madelyn Wils, President, Hudson River Park Trust

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