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Edward Pincar, Jr.
Acting Manhattan Borough Commissioner
NYC Department of Transportation
59 Maiden Lane, 37th Floor
New York, NY 10037

Re: No Parking Zone in Front of Worldwide Plaza Building at 393 West 49th Street (8/9)

Dear Acting Commissioner Pincar,

At its July 25th Full Board meeting, Manhattan Community Board 4 (MCB4) voted 26 in favor, 1 against, 2 abstaining and 0 present but not eligible to vote, of supporting the delineation of a no parking zone two spaces long at the entrance to the residences of the Worldwide Plaza building at 393 West 49th Street (8/9).

An unintended consequence of the Mayor's plan to decrease congestion by creating a dedicated through-lane and turn lane has shifted metered street parking from the south to the north side of the block on 49th Street, directly in front of this 650+ unit residential building. As a result, residents lack a safe and secure zone for passenger pick-up and drop-offs, access-a-ride vehicles, and residential deliveries. The management and residents provided ample evidence of such vehicles routinely double-parking alongside metered spaces, obstructing the through-lane and leading to unsafe conditions and traffic obstructions, which defeat the purpose of the Mayor's plan.

Compounding this situation is the near-continuous illegal presence of long-distance and charter buses parking and idling on this block in undesignated spaces.

Therefore in the dual interests of the safety of the residents and the smooth flow of traffic, we ask the Department of Transportation to change the regulation to a no-parking zone two spaces long in front of the entrance.

Thank you.



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