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John Raine, R.A.
Manhattan Borough Commissioner
New York City Department of Building
280 Broadway, 3rd Floor
New York, NY 10007

Re: Pending request from Related Companies for approval to remove sidewalk shed at Time Warner Center

Dear Commissioner Raine,

Manhattan Community Board 4 (MCB4)¹ would appreciate the Department of Building's (DOB) cooperation in expediting approval for the removal of the sidewalk shed at the Time Warner Center, 10 Columbus Circle. The sidewalk shed is in place along the 58th Street side of the Building, near the 336 West 58th Street garage, and we have heard from Related that the work requiring the sidewalk shed has been completed.

On April 3rd, a pedestrian, Kathie Coblentz, 73—a beloved resident of our district—was struck and killed while walking on the sidewalk in front of this garage entrance. The scaffolding's bases block pedestrian sight lines in front of the garage entrance; this may well have been a contributing factor in this unfortunate pedestrian fatality.

In the interest of public safety, we implore the DOB to take all measures to quickly approve the removal of this sidewalk shed.

Sincerely,

¹ At its April 26th Executive Committee meeting, MCB4 voted in favor of this request. This letter is subject to ratification at MCB4's May 5th Full Board meeting.



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