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Henry Caso
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Re: High Line Extension Construction Plan

Dear Vice President Caso,

Manhattan Community Board 4 (MCB4) generally supports, as voted by 37 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstaining, and 2 present-but-not-eligible to vote at MCB4's May 4th Full Board meeting, the construction plan presented for the High Line expansion except for the traffic diversion routes and hours of night construction that need to be modified and made consistent with current practices.

The construction site is located at Dyer Avenue/West 30th Street, between Tenth and Dyer Avenues, and on Dyer Avenue between West 30th and West 31st Streets, which terminates at Manhattan West. The steel and wooden structures will be assembled on site and erected at night during the summer of 2022. This will require the closure of Dyer Avenue from Tenth Avenue to Manhattan West Plaza, as well as night work in order to keep this major entrance to the Lincoln Tunnel open at peak hours.

These closures will take place over 12 weeks on four weekends, as well as 15 to 20 days of overnight work.

We request the following modifications to the plan:

- Shift the night work from 11 PM - 5AM to 7PM - 3AM. The residents located at the north end of Dyer Avenue at West 34th Street will be affected by the noise which echoes along the Dyer Avenue corridor. Our requested hours have been negotiated by our elected officials with New York City Department of Buildings as appropriate to mitigate the

constant construction noise generated in our district by the multitude of construction sites. All the developers now adhere to them in the vicinity, and

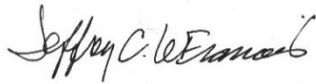
- Review carefully the traffic diversion plan with the Port Authority of New York & New Jersey (PANYNJ) and use the alternate routes designated during the installation of the Lincoln Tunnel gantry system. Specifically, redirect the traffic while it is still on Tenth Avenue, south of West 30th Street, to prevent overflow in residential areas east of Ninth Avenue. Avoid sending traffic to West 38th Street where it adds to the gridlock on Ninth Avenue and impedes Fire Department operations on this block.
- Post a traffic agent at the intersection of Tenth Avenue and 30th Street. Residents have complained of traffic back ups caused by the construction.

We understand that this project will be added to the construction notifications Manhattan West management sends weekly to residents.

We were pleased to hear that the planting and lighting issues under the High Line were addressed. Please confirm our understanding that the electric conduits will be installed for both the south and north pillars.

Over the years, Brookfield has gone to great lengths to help mitigate noise and construction disruptions in our district. We appreciate your past efforts, and trust that you will take the same approach to this current project.

Sincerely,



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