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Hon. Adrienne Adams
NYC Council Speaker
City Hall
New York, NY 10007

Re: Honorary Supplemental Street Naming for Bob Trentlyon on West 24th Street and 11th Avenue between 22nd-24th Streets (adjacent to Chelsea Waterside Park)

Dear Speaker Adams:

Manhattan Community Board 4 (MCB4) supports the request to honor Bob Trentlyon with a supplemental street naming – Bob Trentlyon Way – on the south portion of West 24th Street between Eleventh Avenue and the West Side Highway and on the west side of Eleventh Avenue between 22nd – 24th Streets, as proposed by the applicants, the Chelsea Waterside Park Associates. MCB4 voted to support this request at its May 4th Full Board meeting with 39 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstaining, and 0 present but not eligible.

There are many milestones during Mr. Trentlyon’s lifetime of public service. In 1958 he co-founded the upstart Chelsea Reform Democratic Club and served as its first President. He is one of the founders of Save Chelsea, which was instrumental in the designation of the Chelsea Historic District in 1970 and its 1981 extension. During the 2000 reconstruction of the West Side Highway, Mr. Trentlyon negotiated for the land to enlarge Chelsea Waterside Park. Today, the Park provides Chelsea residents with much-needed recreational facilities. As founder and prime visionary of the Hudson River Park, Mr. Trentlyon’s efforts extended beyond the bounds of one parcel towards transforming the once-derelict West Side waterfront.

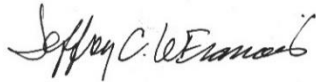
MCB4—where Mr. Trentlyon also served, aptly as the Chair of the Waterfront, Parks, and Environment Committee—finds that Mr. Trentlyon meets and exceeds the Board’s stringent criteria in its guidelines for honorary street naming. He had a long-standing presence and association with Chelsea as a resident, activist, and publisher of local newspapers. His career-long commitment to tangible and visionary improvements meets our measure of an extraordinary record of public service. The applicants have demonstrated broad and unopposed local support,

Mr. Trentlyon's lifetime of successful advocacy, and inspires new generations of visionaries.

The community would like an opportunity to discuss the placement of the sign(s) with the Department of Transportation before it is finalized.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,



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