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Ed Pincar Manhattan Borough Commissioner NYC Department of Transportation 59 Maiden Lane, 37th Floor New York, NY 10038

Re: Speeding Conditions on West 24th Street (10/11)

Dear Borough Commissioner Pincar,

Manhattan Community Board 4 (MCB4), at its May 3rd Full Board meeting by a vote of 38 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstaining, and 0 present but not eligible to vote, urges the Department of Transportation (DOT) to address dangerous pedestrian conditions due to speeding on West 24th Street between 10th/11th Avenues.

Residents and gallerists of the block report vehicles making left-hand turns from 11th Avenue and consistently treating the length of the block like a speedway.

West 24th Street has a number of large residential buildings and also has a high volume of gallery visitors crossing the street mid-block. We would like DOT to explore and implement all remedies to reduce speed, including those contemplated at our April Transportation Planning Committee meeting:

- Markings to narrow the moving lane
- A neck-down and/or raised pedestrian crossing at the 11th Avenue intersection
- A mid-block pedestrian crossing
- Extending the sidewalks
- A shared street designation

We have also recommended that the residents request street trees from the Department of Parks, as they have a demonstrated effect on traffic calming.

Thank you for your continued attention to making our district safer.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Hon. Erik Bottcher, NYC Council Member

Hon. Mark Levine, Manhattan Borough President