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Rick Cotton Executive Director Port Authority of New York & New Jersey 4 World Trade Center 150 Greenwich Street, 22nd Floor New York, NY 10006

Re: Replacement of the Overheight Detection System for the Lincoln Tunnel

Dear Executive Director Cotton:

Manhattan Community Board 4 (MCB4) thanks the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey (PANYNJ) for their presentation on the upcoming replacement of the over-height detection system for the Lincoln Tunnel.

The system's function is to detect over-height vehicles which risk getting stuck in the Tunnel. The current system has aged; it is giving false positives that inconvenience neighbors and staff at night.

The new system installation on Galvin Plaza (10th/11th Avenues, West 39th - West 41st Streets) at the north tube entrance will take place from June 2023 to October 2024, with the bulk of the work completed by September 2023.

Most of the work will be performed during regular daytime hours. There will be four weeks of noisy night work that will also require a closure of the Tunnel, from 11 PM to 5 AM (and 1 AM to 5 AM on Friday and Saturday). The noise mitigation measures that were successfully in place for the toll gantry installation will be applied.

We ask the PANYNJ to reach out to the three major residential buildings surrounding the work (Riverbank, 505 10th Avenue, and Covenant House) and share with them the plan as well as a phone contact for noise complaints. Manhattan Community Board 4 voted to approve this letter

at the June 7th Full Board meeting by a vote of 39 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstaining, and 0 present but not eligible.

Sincerely,

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