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Danielle Zuckerman
Manhattan Borough Commissioner
NYC Department of Transportation
59 Maiden Lane, 37th Fl.
New York, NY 10038

Re: Intercity Bus Permit Application for Big Bus Tours New York at 12th Avenue (48/49)

Dear Borough Commissioner Zuckerman,

At its February 4, 2026 meeting, by a vote of 36 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstaining, and 0 present but not eligible to vote, Manhattan Community Board 4 (“MCB4”) writes to the New York City Department of Transportation (“DOT”) in support of the Intercity Bus Permit application submitted by Taxi Tours Inc., doing business as Big Bus Tours New York, for a pick-up and drop-off location on 12th Avenue between West 48th and West 49th Streets.

Manhattan Community Board 4 recognizes that hop-on, hop-off tour buses are a strong and important part of New York City’s tourism economy, particularly in Midtown West, and we appreciate the role these services play in supporting visitors and local businesses.

While the Board is supportive of the application, we note that the proposed location is co-located with an existing MTA bus stop. To avoid operational conflicts with MTA service, and negative impacts to older or wheelchair bound riders, Manhattan Community Board 4 respectfully requests that DOT evaluate installing the proposed tour bus stop approximately 100 feet farther north. We believe this minor adjustment would allow the permit to proceed while minimizing impacts on MTA operations.

Sincerely,



Leslie Boghosian Murphy
Chair
Manhattan Community Board 4



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Cc: Taxi Tours Inc. Applicant