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

Ambur Nicosia  
Board President  
Mutual Redevelopment Houses, Inc.  
Penn South  
321 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
New York, NY 10001

**Re: Safety Measures for improving visibility at the Building 4 driveway entrance – West 26<sup>th</sup> Street (8/9)**

Dear Commissioner Zuckerman and Ms. Nicosia,

Manhattan Community Board 4 (MCB4) at its May 6<sup>th</sup> Full Board meeting, by a vote of 42 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstaining, and 0 present but not eligible, supports the request of Mutual Redevelopment Houses, Inc. (Penn South)'s residents to improve safety for drivers and cyclists at the entrance of the loading dock, opposite 307 W. 26<sup>th</sup> Street.

To access the popular loading area, the driver has to turn right in front of parked cars, cross the protected bike lane and roll over the curb cut. Cars are parked in the floating parking lane all the

way up to the western end of the curb cuts, as permitted. This results in drivers who cannot see incoming cyclists on the bike lane, nor can the cyclists see the vehicles.

A cyclist collided there with a resident's car that was entering the loading area at very low speed. No injuries ensued but the potential for a deadly crash is clear.

Penn South's operation will be installing a mirror to improve everyone's visibility. However, the situation will not be fully addressed until the DOT eliminates the first parking space and stripes it accordingly on the west side of the curb cut with a related change in parking signage. Installing physical elements (bike rack, planters, and/or granite blocks) would further help ensure the spot remains daylight.

We appreciate your attention to this safety issue.

Sincerely,



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Cc: Hon. Carl Wilson, NYC Council Member  
Gabiella Gershenson, Resident