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RE: Mid-Town Farm Stand at 163 8th Avenue

Dear Mr. Kagia and Chairwoman García,

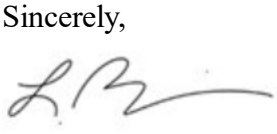
Manhattan Community Board 4 ("MCB4") votes by 35 for, 1 against, 0 abstaining, and 1 present-not-eligible to deny the application of Mid-Town Farm Stand (the "Applicant") for an Adult-Use Retail Dispensary at 163 Eighth Avenue, New York, NY 10011.

The applicant has not responded to any communication from MCB4 and there is no evidence that this applicant has done any outreach to the surrounding community

MCB4 is on record being supportive of Adult-Use Retail Dispensaries in our community when the locations are deemed appropriate and the operators demonstrate a connection and/or understanding of community needs and concerns. Furthermore, concerns were raised regarding the proximity to several schools in the neighboring area. There are more than ten schools within 1 block of this proposed location. While the rule may allow for Adult-Use Retail Dispensaries within 500 feet of a school located on the same road, MCB4 has been on record that even proximity of 500 feet is of concern by the community. Considering this applicant has not engaged with our community and with an existing Adult-Use Retail Dispensary several blocks aways, this proposed dispensary is not a good fit for this neighborhood.

We thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Leslie Boghasian Murphy
Chair
Manhattan Community Board 4



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