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ROBERT J. BENFATTO, JR., ESQ. District Manager

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Beverly Gotay Department of Consumer Affairs 42 Broadway New York, New York 10004

## Re: Newsstand Relocation, 313 West 57th Street

Dear Ms. Gotay:

Manhattan Community Board 4 (CB4) requests that the newsstand currently located on the north side of 57th Street, east of Eight Avenue, be relocated in front of 313 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street.

We understand that relocation within 500 ft from the original site is not subject to Community Board review. However the building's managing agent and the retailer at this location expressed deep concerns, when they learned of the plan to relocate the newsstand in front of 305 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street. Their business, a nail salon and spa, requires visibility from both sides of the street to attract patrons.

We met with the applicant, Mr. Eli Bashi, who wishes to be a good neighbor and has agreed to relocate his newsstand in front of 313 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street.

WE are grateful to Mr. Bashi and request that you approve this new site for his relocation.

Sincerely,

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John Weis Chair Manhattan Community Board No. 4

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Christine Berthet Co-Chair Transportation Planning Committee

Cc: Margaret Forgione, DOT Mr. Eli Bashi , 252-31 Leith Road, Little Neck , NY 11362 305 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, Managing agent

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