May 7, 2004

Mr. Maurice Buet Manhattan Borough Commissioner New York City Department of Transportation 40 Worth Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor New York, NY 10013

Re: HKNA Traffic Committee Request for Traffic Studies

Dear Mr Bruet:

Manhattan Community Board No. 4, at its regular meeting on May 5, 2004, voted 40 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstaining, 0 present but not eligible, to support the Hell's Kitchen Neighborhood Association Traffic Committee's request for traffic studies in their community.

The HKNA Traffic Committee has documented extensively the traffic conditions that exist in the area of the Lincoln Tunnel. They have shown that vehicular traffic is heavy but unevenly distributed, and that it poses very real, and quite literally deadly, hazards for pedestrians. They have developed specific mitigation proposals and have requested formal traffic studies.

The Board supports the committee's goals and joins them in requesting the traffic studies. The objective of the studies should be to develop methods to improve the distribution and flow of vehicular traffic entering and exiting the Lincoln Tunnel, and to improve pedestrian safety. [We enclose copies of the HKNA Traffic Committee's letter and report.]

Sincerely,

Walter Mankoff

Chair

Manhattan Community Board No. 4

Joshua David Co-Chair

**Transportation Planning Committee** 

John Rust Co-Chair

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Cc: Christine Berthet, HKNA