October 13, 2004

Manhattan Borough Commissioner Margaret Forgione NYC Department of Transportation 40 Worth Street New York, NY 10007

Re: Parking regulations on West 22nd Street, between 6th and 7th Avenues.

Dear Borough Commissioner Forgione,

At its October 6, 2004 meeting, the Transportation Planning Committee of Manhattan Community Board No. 4 discussed a request from a resident on West 22nd Street, between 6th and 7th Avenues, to address the lack of proper street cleaning on the block.

The block contains a mix of commercial and residential uses. Currently the entire block is signed "No Parking except Commercial Vehicles 8 am to 7pm Monday - Friday." Outside of these designated hours, the block is used for residential parking. As such the curb is never free of cars or trucks, making thorough street cleaning impossible. Business-owners who participated in an informal discussion earlier in the month about the matter stated that changing to daytime alternate-side parking would be devastating to their businesses. The business-owners and the resident, however, all agreed that without some time period designated as "No Parking", this block would never be sufficiently cleaned.

Since the Department of Sanitation regularly sweeps this block Mondays and Wednesdays, between 12am and 8am, the committee discussed requesting early morning alternate side parking regulations on Tuesdays and Fridays, like those already implemented on many blocks in the Garment District. At a special meeting on October 6, 2004, the Transportation Planning Committee voted to recommend a request to DOT to study the possibility of installing alternate side "No Parking 2am-6am Tuesday/Friday" signage on West 22nd Street, between 6th and 7th Avenues.

On October 6, 2004, the full board of Manhattan Community Board No. 4 voted unanimously to support the committee's recommendation

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Walter Mankoff Chair Manhattan Community Board No. 4

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