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MICHELLE SOLOMON
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February 2, 2006

Mildred Duran, Director
Street Activity Permit Office
100 Gold Street, 2nd floor
New York, NY 10038

Re: New Street Activity Permit Application #M4-018

Applicant: Dance Music Hall of Fame
Location: Sixth Avenue between (but not including) 14th and 23rd Streets
Date: Sunday, September 17, 2006
Time: 9:00am to 6:00pm

Dear Ms. Duran:

At its January 18, 2006 meeting, the Transportation Planning Committee of Manhattan Community Board No. 4 reviewed the above Street Activity Permit application. The applicant informed the Committee that, despite the moratorium on new multiblock events, the Street Activity Permit Office would consider granting a permit for this event, pending the approval of the Community Board.

The Committee expressed some reservations over permitting another large-scale event, given their disruption of the transportation system. However, the applicant has been exceedingly accommodating with regard to the requests of the Committee. As an independent non-profit organization with 501(c)3 status, the Hall of Fame has a special arrangement with its promoter, which is only taking 20% (typically 50%) of the revenues from the event. The Hall of Fame will therefore be able to donate a lump sum of \$10,000 to LifeBeat, a New-York based non-profit organization that promotes HIV/AIDS awareness and prevention. The applicant also continues to sponsor in-school music education seminars.

Furthermore, in response to concerns about surface transit service disruption, the applicant has offered to work with the MTA to ensure that adequate notice is given to bus riders by placing notifications at bus stops and on buses serving affected routes. The applicant also offered to contact block associations in the neighborhood and tenant associations of the larger buildings on Sixth Avenue. The Committee also raised the concern that local businesses would be adversely affected. In response, the Hall of Fame offered to inform local businesses in advance and invite them to open booths. Given these actions, the Committee voted to recommend approval of this application.

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The full Board voted to approve this recommendation on February 1, 2006.

Sincerely,



J. Lee Compton
Chair
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Jay Marcus
Chair
Transportation Planning Committee

cc: Hon. Michael Bloomberg, Mayor
Hon. Scott Stringer, Manhattan Borough President
Local Elected Officials
Manhattan Community Board No. 5
Applicant