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November 21, 2013

Hon. Meenakshe Srinivasan, Chair  
Board of Standards and Appeals  
40 Rector Street, 9th Floor  
New York, NY 10006

**Re: 423 West 55<sup>nd</sup> Street**  
**Physical Culture Establishment–Special Permit- BSA Cal. No. 236-13-BZ**

Dear Chair Srinivasan:

Manhattan Community Board 4, having held a duly noticed public hearing on BSA Calendar No. 206-13-BZ, voted at its meeting on November 6, 2013 to recommend approval of the application for a special permit for a physical culture establishment (PCE) at 423 West 55<sup>th</sup> Street.

This application was filed on behalf of Planet Fitness, under section 73-36 of the Zoning Resolution of the City of New York. The prior occupant of the space was also a PCE. In its presentation to the Clinton/Hell's Kitchen Land Use Committee on October 30, 2013 the applicant was represented by its land use counsel. From his descriptions, which are supported by the application and the accompanying floor plans, the proposed facility is without question a legitimate PCE.

This Board has reviewed the Statements of Facts and Findings in the application and agrees that the proposed facility meets the requirements under section 73-03 of the ZR for the requested special permit.

The Board therefore recommends approval of the application if our conditions are met and provided the Department of Investigation background check report required by section 73-36(c) of the ZR is received and satisfactory.

Sincerely,

Corey Johnson  
Chair

Jean-Daniel Noland, Co-Chair  
Clinton/Hell's Kitchen Land Use Committee

cc: Melanie LaRocca, Harriet Sedgwick - NYC Council Speaker Christine Quinn  
Brian Cook, Michael Sandler – Manhattan Borough President Scott Stringer  
Joshua J. Rinesmith, applicant's representative