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Margaret Forgione  
Manhattan Borough Commissioner  
NYC Department of Transportation  
59 Maiden Lane, 37<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10038

**Re: Parking Regulation 500 West 43<sup>rd</sup> Street**

Manhattan Community Board 4 (CB4) supports Canard, Inc's request to create a "Truck Loading Zone" at 500 West 43<sup>rd</sup> Street opposite their building located at 503 West 43<sup>rd</sup> Street.

West 43<sup>rd</sup> Street had been changed from a one way westbound street to a two-way street to accommodate the Fire station located in the middle of the block. There is one moving lane westbound, one car lane eastbound and a parking lane entirely dedicated to Authorized Fire Vehicles. Because of this configuration, Canard Inc. cannot accommodate deliveries in and out of its business, which are critical to its operation.

The Fire station has parking spaces reserved for its private vehicles on the entire length of the block, which seems to exceed the amount customarily reserved at other stations. The proposed change is located 300 feet away from the Fire Station.

We are requesting that on the south side of the street, approximately 100 feet west of Tenth Avenue, the regulation be changed from "No Standing Any Time, except for Authorized Fire Vehicles" to "No Standing Except Truck Loading and Unloading 8AM to 7PM except Sunday," for a length of 30 feet between the Hertz garage and the Travel Inn Service entrance.

The owner of the company has agreed to train its drivers to be vigilant to bicyclists at this location where a bike lane shares the westbound car lane.

Sincerely,

Christine Berthet  
Chair

Jay Marcus  
Chair, Transportation Planning Committee