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Polly Trottenberg Transportation Commissioner NYC Department of Transportation 59 Maiden Lane, 37th Floor New York, NY 10038

Re: Bolt Bus Drop off Location near West 29th Street and Ninth Avenue

Dear Commissioner Trottenberg:

At its May 2014 full board meeting Manhattan Community Board 4 (CB4) voted to recommend approval for a drop off only bus stop for Greyhound Inc, (DBA Bolt Bus) located at 341 Ninth Avenue between West 29th and West 30th Streets. Below are the details as outlined in a letter received from the DOT:

- The Stop would be in front of 341 Ninth Avenue
- The bus operator is Greyhound Lines, Inc. (DBA Bolt Bus)
- The proposed location is currently regulated with 85 feet of existing bus stop for MTA Bus
- There will be three drop-offs daily at 7:45 am, 8:30 am & 9:30am, five days a week Monday through Friday
- The bus will travel from Philadelphia to New York City

CB4 makes this recommendation of approval with the following stipulations:

- The stop will be temporary for 4 months, and will be extended longer conditional upon not receiving complaints from the community regarding the stop.
- The stop will be restricted to the times mentioned above, and will not exceed three drop offs per day.
- The drop off location will be located in front of the MTA bus stop, and the Bolt bus will not block MTA M11 bus access to the bus stop.
- The United States Postal Service (USPS) Investigator vehicles currently parked on this section of the block will not be parked there during the Bolt bus drop off times. USPS has agreed to this arrangement and their cooperation will be essential for the success of the stop.
- Operation of the drop off location will not begin until the Verizon construction work is complete.

CB4 appreciates being consulted by the New York City Department of Transportation (DOT) as required by New York State law on this application. Furthermore we appreciate Bolt buses compliance with our requests, and their desire to be a good neighbor. The applicant and the DOT have demonstrated they are willing to work with the community on this drop off location. We are particularly pleased that DOT and Bolt bus took the time and effort to address community concerns and to research and provide the information necessary for CB4 to properly evaluate the site.

Sincerely,

Christine Berthet Chair

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