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William T. Castro Manhattan Borough Commissioner NYC Parks Department Arsenal West 24 West 61st Street, 5th Floor New York, NY 10023

Re: Department of Parks and Recreation Presentation on MCD4 Parks

Dear Borough Commissioner Castro,

Manhattan Community Board 4 (MCB4) would like to commend and thank Elliot Sykes from your staff who attending the June meeting of the Waterfront, Parks and Environment (WPE) Committee to provide a comprehensive review of the state of the parks in Community District 4. Mr. Sykes held the floor for more than an hour and engaged the committee in a wide ranging discussion and the WPE Committee are better informed because of his effort.

It strikes us that we would benefit if we asked the Department of Parks and Recreation to present to the Waterfront, Parks and Environment Committee of Manhattan Community Board 4 on an annual basis. We look forward to a continued interaction with you and your staff. We also solicit you advice and comments if there are ways we can be useful to you in the completion of your responsibilities in our district.

Sincerely,

Delores Rubin Chair

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