



February 2nd, 2024

Hon. Ydanis Rodriquez
Commissioner
NY Dept. Of Transportation,
55 Water Street, FL – 9
New York City, New York 10041

Hon. Edgar Pincar Jr.
Manhattan Borough Commissioner
NY Dept. Of Transportation,
59 Maiden Lane, FL - 37
New York City, New York 10038

Dear Hon. Commissioner Rodriquez and Hon. Borough Commissioner Pinar Jr.,

At its regularly scheduled General Board Meeting held in hybrid, on Thursday, January 18th, 2024. Manhattan Community Board No. 9 passed the following Reso Re: Promoting Residential Parking for Comprehensive Environmental and Health Benefits by a vote of 20 in favor, 5 opposed, and 7 abstentions with 32 members present.

Resolution
**Promoting Residential Parking for
Comprehensive Environmental and Health Benefits in
Community Board 9**

Whereas, it is imperative to address the parking issues in Community Board 9 by understanding the specific needs, preferences, and challenges faced by residents and proposing effective solutions; and

Whereas, Community Board 9 recognizes the multifaceted advantages of residential parking for our community's well-being; and

Whereas, user personas have been identified, representing the diverse range of residents living in Community Board 9 and their unique parking-related concerns; and

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Resolved, that Community Board 9 commits to working in collaboration with city agencies, local organizations, and community members to develop and implement residential parking policies that align with our goals of improving environmental quality, promoting physical and mental health, and fostering community cohesion; and

Resolved, that Community Board 9 will actively engage with residents and stakeholders to gather input and feedback on proposed residential parking changes and policies, ensuring that the community's diverse needs and concerns are considered; and

Resolved, that Community Board 9 will regularly review and assess the impact of residential parking policies on the environment, noise levels, safety, social connections, aesthetics, and accessibility, making adjustments and improvements as necessary to maximize benefits for our community.

If you have any questions and/or further information is needed, please do not hesitate contacting me or District Manager, Eutha Prince, at the board office (212) 864-6200.

Sincerely,



Victor Edwards,
Chair

cc: Hon. Eric Adams, Mayor

Hon. Brad Lander, New York City Comptroller

Hon. Mark Levine, Manhattan Borough President

Hon. Cordell Cleare, New York State Senate

Hon. Robert Jackson, New York State Senator

Hon. Daniel J. O'Donnell, Assembly Member

Hon. Inez Dickens, Assembly Member

Hon. Al Taylor, Assembly Member

Hon. Shaun Abreu, City Council Member

Hon. Yusef Salaam, City Council Member

Mr. Zead Ramadan, Executive Director, West Harlem Development Corporation



February 23rd, 2024

The Honorable Kathy Hochul
Governor of New York State
NYS State Capitol Building
Albany, NY 12224

Dear Governor Hochul,

At its regularly scheduled General Board Meeting held remotely and in-person, on Thursday, February 15th, 2024, Manhattan Community Board No. 9 passed the following resolution re: **Infant and Maternal Mortality with Emphasis on Local Data and Healthcare Institutions Engagement** by unanimous consent with 25 members present.

Whereas, the State of New York has recognized an urgent need to address rising rates of infant and maternal mortality, with a specific focus on enhancing doula services for expectant mothers;

Whereas, Community Board 9, representing Morningside Heights and Hamilton Heights, acknowledges that local data reflects particular challenges in these neighborhoods, with late or no prenatal care rates at 10.9%, significantly higher than the citywide average of 6.8%, and preterm birth rates at 8.5%, slightly lower than the citywide average of 9.2%;

Whereas, teen pregnancy rates in Morningside Heights and Hamilton Heights are at 10.8 per 1,000 teen girls, indicating a critical need for targeted support and education for this demographic;

Whereas, **Governor Kathy Hochul has enacted legislation S.1867A/A.5435A** to establish a New York State directory of doulas and has extended Medicaid coverage to include doula services starting January 1, 2024, thereby making doula support more accessible;

Whereas, the FY23 state budget has allocated \$4.5 million annually to support Regional Perinatal Centers, enhancing the level of care and coordination available to pregnant individuals and their infants;

Whereas, there is a recognized disparity in healthcare outcomes among different racial and socio-economic groups within our community, which must be addressed with comprehensive and inclusive healthcare policies;



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Dr. Mitchell H. Katz, President & CEO, Health & Hospitals Corporation

Dr. Maurice Wright, Chief Medical Officer, NYC Health + Hospitals/Harlem

Georges H. Leconte, MPA FAB, RRT, Chief Executive Officer, NYC Health + Hospitals/Harlem

Brendan Carr, MD, MA, MS, CEO, Mount Sinai Health System

Vicki LoPachin, MD, FACP, MBA, Chief Medical Officer and Senior Vice President, Mount Sinai Health

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Dr. Steven J. Corwin, President & Chief Executive Officer, and Senior Vice President of

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James M. McKiernan, MD, Senior Vice Dean for Clinical Affairs and CEO of Columbia Doctors, New York Presbyterian

Nehal Galal, DO, Interim Senior Medical Director, Primary Care, New York Presbyterian

Mr. Zead Ramadan, Executive Director, West Harlem Development Corporation