# **DECEMBER 2025 CHAIR'S REPORT**

As the year comes to an end, I want wish each of you a Happy Holiday season and Thank You for your commitment to the Board and our community. "It takes a Village"

## DOT Borough Commissioner - Meeting/Walk-thru

In late November I had the opportunity to meet and conduct a Walk-thru with DOT Borough Commissioner D. Zuckerman. The Walk-thru covered the Riverside Drive viaduct construction at 153rd St which has been stalled for several months. Commissioner Zuckerman explained that NYC is currently in court with the contractor and that DOT is awaiting a ruling. We also discussed allowing parking on the upper part of Riverside Drive upper roadway 149th to 152nd St. I will continue to follow-up on both issues.

#### **KOTA ALLIANCE**

Kota Alliance held a holiday gathering which I had the opportunity to attend. The current art work on display by local teenage girls and women was amazing and encouraging. The evening concluded with one of our seniors reading poetry she recently authored.

## **CCNY COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD**

On December 4, I attended the CCNY COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD meeting. This meeting was dedicated to a presentation from CCNY J. Bond Center, regarding the development of their Equitable Development Index. Once fully developed the index could be utilized by the community and Developers in determining community's housing needs. The J. Bond Center will also be presenting at CB9 HLUZ committee.

### **Legionnaires Disease Task Force**

The Legionnaires Disease Task Force held an informational session in early December. The session was attended by the Health Commissioner as well as Assemblyman Jordan Wright and Councilmember Yusef Salaam. The Assemblyman and Councilmember, both shared recent Bills that they had introduced regarding preventive measures to reduce Legionnaires Disease in our community. I was invited to speak on how Community Board #9 coped during the Legionnaires outbreak and recommendations for the future.

Respectfully,

Victor Edwards