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## Hailing a Victory in the Fight Against Inappropriate Megabus Site

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For some time, I and my staff have been working with Manhattan Community Board 4 (CB4), Clinton/Hell's Kitchen Coalition for Pedestrian Safety and other local elected officials to set limits on Megabus, the low-cost, inter-city bus service, which maintains a fleet of buses that park on and travel through Midtown streets without regard for neighborhood residents. I am pleased that in early June, the New York City Department of Transportation (DOT) heeded our call to not renew Megabus' permit for a loading stations outside the Port Authority Bus Terminal. DOT recently announced that the loading site will be moved to West 34th Street between 11th and 12th Avenues—the block that I along with CB4 had long recommended—on August 1st. I applaud the agency for its responsiveness to the community and appreciate its continued assistance in regulating the use of our streets by Megabus and other inter-city bus companies.