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Manhattan Borough Commissioner
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Margaret

Dear Commissioner Forgione:

I write to express my strong support for Manhattan Community Board 2 (CB2)'s September 2014 resolution (attached) requesting that the Department of Transportation (DOT) study the feasibility of a "Complete Street" design for 7th Avenue South.

CB2 identified 7th Avenue South as a "constant threat to pedestrians as well as to bicyclists" due to "lengthy street crossings" and "many irregular intersections." The danger posed by the unpredictable street design is amplified by the area's "high concentration of all types of schools (preschool, elementary, secondary and specialty), senior centers, recreational facilities and libraries and an extensive population of children and elders."

Given that CB2 first made the request over a year ago, I request that DOT work expeditiously to conduct the study so that necessary improvements can be made as soon as possible. Please let my office know what the timeline for such a study will be, and what, if any, impediments there are to beginning.

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Thank you in advance for your review of this matter. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or Jared Odessky in my office at 212-633-8052.

Sincerely,



Brad Hoylman
State Senator
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Enclosure

cc: 7th Avenue South Alliance
Community Board 2, Manhattan