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Ms. Margaret Forgione, Manhattan Commissioner
Department of Transportation
59 Maiden Lane, 37th Floor
New York, New York 10038

Re: Parking regulation changes to West 58th Street

Dear Ms. Forgione:

Manhattan Community Board 4 (CB4) supports Hudson Hotel's request for changes in the parking regulations on the south side of 58th Street between Eighth and Ninth Avenues in order to alleviate the current congestion caused by taxis picking up and dropping off passengers.

These changes are:

- Relocate the commercial loading zone to the eastern boundary of the property
- Reduce the relocated commercial loading zone from two to one parking space
- Remove the taxi stand and Install a "no standing anytime" regulation on the balance of the property frontage all the way to Ninth Avenue
- Install Commercial metered parking on the east side of Ninth Avenue between 58th and 60th Streets as previously requested.

In a meeting with block associations and the hotel, it became apparent that the current configuration encourages taxi drivers to load and unload passengers in the first and second traffic lanes instead of using the curb side, causing significant congestion and honking on this residential street.

Sincerely,

John Weis

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