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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 – West 34th Street, between 9th and 10th Avenues

Manhattan Community Board 4 (CB4) requests that the DOT change the parking regulation on the south side of 34th Street to "No standing 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday to Friday , No parking from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday ." from 100 feet west of 9th Avenue to 10th Avenue.

The current regulations prohibit standing 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. seven days a week. These regulations pose special difficulties for elderly or disabled residents have been unable to be dropped by taxis in front of their building, to receive deliveries or to load and unload their groceries. They also make it impossible to easily move in or out of the buildings. Because of the current restrictions, delivery and moving vehicles must park on West 33rd or West 35th Streets, and move items over long distances. Related regulations also prohibit stopping around the corner on 9th Avenue during normal business hours.

A variety of parking regulations apply along the BRT bus lanes, and in particular, the parking regulations in front of residential properties on the far- east side, are much more accommodating to the residents needs. These proposed changes will mitigate the situation over the week- end, allowing residents to schedule deliveries and moving appropriately.

Sincerely,



John Weis
Chair
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