

December 10, 2002

Robert Balachandran  
President and CEO  
Hudson River Park Trust  
Pier 40 @ West Houston St. & West St.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10014

**Re: Support for Downtown Boathouse relocation**

Dear Mr. Balachandran,

Manhattan Community Board No. 4 and its Waterfront and Parks Committee recently discussed Downtown Boathouse's interim plans to relocate to the foot of the Pier 66 floatbridge. We understand the organization plans to use 900 square feet of the Route 9A staging area for its container, which stores kayaks, and use the floatbridge as a launch.

The board has no opposition to this proposal as an interim plan at this site and hopes in fact that it will encourage use of the floatbridge as a means to view the river. Our support for this temporary use should in no way hinder future use of the site for the Maritime Barge. Also, our support is in concept only, and we leave the details of fencing and security issues to you and Downtown Boathouse to hash out.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



Simone Sindin  
Chair  
Manhattan Community Board No. 4

John Doswell  
Co-Chair  
Waterfront & Parks Committee

Pam Frederick  
Co-Chair  
Waterfront & Parks Committee

cc: Local Electeds  
Downtown Boathouse