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Margaret Forgione
Manhattan Borough Commissioner
NYC Department of Transportation
59 Maiden Lane, 37th Floor
New York, NY 10038

Re: Hotel Loading Zone Installation - Best Western 522 W. 38th Street

Dear Commissioner Forgione:

Manhattan Community Board 4 (MCB4) would like to recommend the installation of a 25 foot loading zone in front of the Best Western Hotel at 522 W. 38th Street. We feel the provision of this zone will reduce the amount of double parking and other disruptions that frequently occur with hotel entrances. We also note that no member of the community voiced opposition to the proposed hotel loading zone.

However, we note that the hotel has agreed to provide landscaping to improve the streetscape and has agreed to look into installing public seating, along the set-back area of its building. CB4's approval is conditioned on that commitment. The hotel was agreeable with improving the streetscape in the front of their hotel and we feel this will be an improvement to a desolate street.

Thank you very much for your consideration and assistance.

Sincerely,

Christine Berthet
Chair

Jay Marcus
Co-Chair, Transportation
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Ernest Modarelli
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