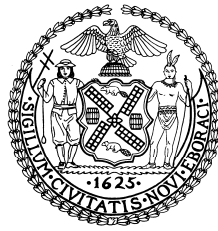


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## The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

May 8, 2014

Margaret Forgione  
Manhattan Borough Commissioner  
NYC Department of Transportation  
59 Maiden Lane, 35<sup>th</sup> Flr.  
New York, NY 10038

**Re: A discussion of the Jersey Barrier artwork  
placed at the bicycle path on First Avenue  
between 59th and 60th Streets. (Joint item with  
Landmarks Committee)**

Dear Commissioner Forgione:

At the May 7, 2014 Transportation Committee meeting, the following Committee Recommendation in support of the proposed artwork passed unanimously by a vote of 14 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 0 not voting for cause:

**WHEREAS** Community Board 8 passed a resolution on May 22, 2013, approving the installation of a Jersey barrier fence–protected two-way bicycle path on First Avenue between 59th & 60th Street, beneath the Queensboro Bridge; and

**WHEREAS** CB8's resolution asked DOT to propose a contextually appropriate design to be painted on the barrier beneath the Queensboro Bridge, and present the design to a joint meeting of CB8M's Landmarks and Transportation Committees for approval; and

**WHEREAS** DOT's proposed Guastavino Tile mural is contextually appropriate; and

**WHEREAS** DOT plans to paint the mural on Saturday, May 17, 2014;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Community Board 8 Manhattan approves the two-color mural design for the Jersey barrier fence next to the two-way bike path beneath the Queensboro Bridge on First Avenue between 59th & 60th Streets, to be painted on both sides of the fence; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that CB8 asks DOT to return at an appropriate time for approval of future mural designs for this location.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Viest  
Chair

A. Scott Falk and Charles Warren  
Co-Chairs, Transportation Committee

cc: Honorable Bill de Blasio, Mayor of the City of New York  
Honorable Gale Brewer, Manhattan Borough President  
Honorable Carolyn Maloney, 14<sup>th</sup> Congressional District Representative  
Honorable Liz Krueger, NYS Senator, 26<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District  
Honorable Micah Kellner, NYS Assembly Member, 76<sup>th</sup> Assembly District  
Honorable Dan Quart, NYS Assembly Member, 73<sup>rd</sup> Assembly District

Honorable Ben Kallos, NYC Council Member, 5<sup>th</sup> Council District  
Honorable Daniel Garodnick, NYC Council Member, 4<sup>th</sup> Council District