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VIA E-MAIL

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Mitchell J. Silver, FAICP
Commissioner, New York City Department of Parks & Recreation
830 Fifth Ave
New York, NY, 10065

Resolution in Support of the Temporary Public Art Installation “The Good Hive Initiative” by Matthew Willey at Dag Hammarskjold Plaza

Dear Commissioner Silver:

At the April 11, 2018 Full Board meeting of Manhattan Community Board Six, the Board adopted the following resolution:

WHEREAS, there have been art installations at this location for fifty years;

WHEREAS, the artist was selected from among a number of applicants and vetted by the New York City Department of Parks and Recreation;

WHEREAS, there is a timely message in this installation, designed to raise awareness of the global population decline of honeybees and other pollinators, through paintings of the fragile connection point between nature and the human world;

WHEREAS, the exhibition consists of 30 painted birch plywood boards measuring 12”x18”x1/2”, carefully and tightly wired to the existing gazebo structure, with the addition of four abstract, hand-painted honeybee hives measuring 42”x16”x20” and displayed on the Plaza’s platform;

WHEREAS, there will be programs presented at the installation location regarding related bee population decline geared toward children and other interested communities;

WHEREAS, this Public Art Installation running from May through August 2018, designed as a visual experience with related community programming, includes appropriate signage explaining “The Good Hive Initiative” by Matthew Willey;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Manhattan Community Board Six fully and unanimously supports this informative installation;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Manhattan Community Board Six encourages other such educational and beautiful exhibitions at this location in the future during the months of May through August.

VOTE: 36 in Favor Opposed Abstentions Not Entitled

Best regards,



Jesús Pérez
District Manager

Cc: Hon. Gale Brewer, Manhattan Borough President
Hon. Keith Powers, Council Member
Mark Thompson, Chair, CB6 Parks, Landmarks, and Cultural Affairs
Elizabeth Masella, Public Art Coordinator, New York City Department of
Parks & Recreation