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The City of New York
Community Board 8 Manhattan

July 27, 2026

Honorable Mayor Zohran Mamdani
Mayor of New York City
City Hall
New York, NY 10007

Honorable Speaker Julie Menin
Speaker of New York City
City Hall
New York, NY 10007

RE: Resolution calling on the New York City Council to increase funding to DSNY for trash pick-ups

Dear Mayor Mamdani and Speaker Menin,

At the Full Board Meeting of Community Board 8 Manhattan held on July 15, 2026, the board unanimously approved the following resolution by a vote of 42 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 not voting for cause:

> **WHEREAS,** garbage cans are routinely overflowing in Manhattan Community District 8, particularly on the East 86th Street corridor, Isaacs Houses/Holmes Towers, and nearby streets; and
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> **WHEREAS,** garbage cans are overflowing because the garbage isn't being picked up frequently enough for the amount of garbage disposed of in these high-traffic areas; and
>
> **WHEREAS,** the New York City Department of Sanitation (DSNY) can only increase the frequency of trash pick-up with additional funding from the New York City Council;
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> **THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** Manhattan Community Board 8 respectfully requests that the DSNY increases the frequency of trash pick-up in the district by calling on the New York City Council to increase funding to DSNY for trash pick-ups.

Please advise this office of any action taken regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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Co-Chairs, Sanitation and Environment Committee

cc: Honorable Kathy Hochul, Governor of New York State
Honorable Brad Hoylman-Sigal, Manhattan Borough President
Honorable Jerry Nadler, 12th Congressional District Representative
Honorable Liz Krueger, NYS Senator, 28th Senatorial District
Honorable José M. Serrano, NYS Senator, 29th Senatorial District

Honorable Edward Gibbs, NYS Assembly Member, 68th Assembly District
Honorable Alex Bores, NYS Assembly Member, 73rd Assembly District
Honorable Rebecca Seawright, NYS Assembly Member, 76th Assembly District
Honorable Virginia Maloney, NYC Council Member, 4th Council District
Honorable Elsie Encarnacion, NYC Council Member, 8th Council District
Honorable Justin Sanchez, NYC Council Member, 17th Council District
Ovie Lattimore, Manhattan Borough Manager, Mayor's Office of Mass Engagement