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Statement for 125<sup>th</sup> Street BID Assessment Increase

I would like to thank Speaker Quinn and her staff, as well as Finance Chair Domenic Recchia, Finance Committee Counsel Tanisha Edwards, and the rest of the Finance Committee and staff.

The 125<sup>th</sup> Street BID's present assessment is \$867,390 and the proposed assessment is \$947,820. The new assessment figure reflects critical needs that this allocation will serve for the 125<sup>th</sup> Street BID.

Since its inception in 1994, the 125<sup>th</sup> Street BID has served as the bedrock for all of the wide range of uses on 125<sup>th</sup> Street in the village of Harlem. 125<sup>th</sup> Street is the commercial heart of the community and the 125<sup>th</sup> Street BID will need the new assessment figure to maintain the vibrancy of the strip by increasing sanitation and public safety services, to maintain a well-structured staff to implement initiatives, and to continue providing infrastructure support.

Therefore, I support the assessment increase for the 125<sup>th</sup> Street BID.

Very truly yours,

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