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Hon. Diana Ayala
New York City Council
105 East 116th Street
New York, NY 10029

Dear Councilwoman Ayala:

Community Board 11 supports the co-naming of the southeast corner of East 104th Street and Madison Avenue in honor of Di-Quai Jones.

Di-Quai Jones was a bright young man, an aspiring tradesman, and a mentor to many East Harlem youth. On August 25, 2018, Di-Quai tragically lost his life due to the senseless violence in our community. Renaming this block will not only honor and memorialize Di-Quai's life, but also serve as a reminder of the many lives tragically lost in the epidemic of gun and gang violence that plagues East Harlem.

The enclosed street co-naming request includes letters of support that speak to Di-Quai Jones' character and a petition of support signed by over 250 community residents.

We request that you support and carry the "Di-Quai Jones Way" street renaming through the New York City Council's street co-naming process. Please feel free to contact Carly Wine, Assistant District Manager, at 212-831-8929 if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

Nilsa Orama
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Enclosures (13)

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