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VIA ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION

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Re: CB12M Comment on the Citywide Containerization Program – Draft Environmental Impact Statement

To Whom It May Concern:

Community Board 12-Manhattan ("CB12M") respectfully submits this written comment regarding the Citywide Containerization Program and the associated Draft Environmental Impact Statement ("DEIS"), issued on July 1, 2026.

CB12M is currently on its summer hiatus. Because all community boards in New York City are composed of volunteer members, most do not conduct official business in July and August, in recognition of their volunteer service. As the DEIS was not issued until July 1, 2026, with written comments due on August 7, 2026, community boards were left without sufficient time to meaningfully evaluate the proposal and prepare substantive comments.

Had adequate notice been provided, CB12M would have referred this matter to the relevant standing committees and voted on a submission reflecting the community's input. Because that opportunity was not afforded, CB12M is unable to comment on the substance of the proposal at this time. Accordingly, CB12M respectfully requests that the New York City Department of Sanitation extend the comment period through the end of September 2026.

Do not hesitate to contact me at aviola@cb.nyc.gov with any questions.

Sincerely,

Anthony Viola
Chairperson