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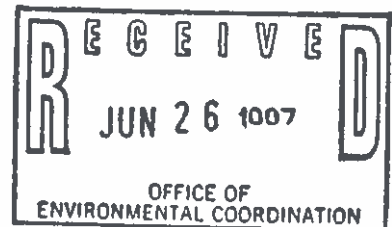
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June 24, 1997

Annette M. Barbaccia, Director
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**Re: NOTICE OF LEAD AGENCY DETERMINATION AND REVIEW
KINGSBORO TRANSITIONAL RESIDENCE, 681 CLARKSON AVENUE
CEQR 97-DHS-001, ULURP 97-0472-PCK**

Dear Ms. Barbaccia:

The above-referenced application is subject to review under the City Environmental Quality Review (CEQR), Executive Order No. 91, and the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), 6NYCRR 617. Pursuant to Sections 5.03 and 5.05 of the Rules of Procedure of City Environmental Quality Review as adopted June 26, 1991, the NYC Department of Homeless Services is assuming lead agency status for this application and is conducting the CEQR review. The proposal involves a public facility site selection and acquisition and is subject to the Uniform Land Use Review Procedure.

The NYC Department of Homeless Services (DHS) proposes to obtain long-term site control of Buildings 6, 7 and 8 of the Kingsboro Psychiatric Center, located at 681 Clarkson Avenue in Brooklyn Community District No. 9. The buildings are a portion of Block 4833, Lot 1. DHS has been operating a facility at this location since February 19, 1997, pursuant to a license agreement with the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York.

Ms. Annette M. Barbaccia

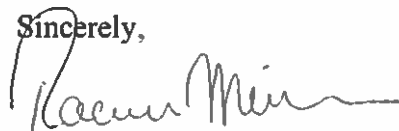
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DHS is currently operating a transitional program for 158 homeless men in Building 8. DHS plans to establish two new programs in Building 8 that are distinct from the current program. The first two floors will house a transitional program for approximately eighty homeless adults with Serious and Persistent Mental Illness; treatment will also be available for individuals with Mental Illness and Chemical Abuse diagnoses. If funding is secured, the third floor will be converted for use as between twenty-five and forty units of permanent supportive housing. Building 6 will house a program for approximately 228 individuals with Chemical Abuse and Mental Illness diagnoses. Building 7 has been boarded and closed because its interior wood construction renders it inappropriate for shelter use. Nevertheless, DHS seeks to acquire Building 7 because it is encompassed by an existing roadway which links Buildings 6 and 8.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,



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