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QUEENS CIVIC CONGRESS SUPPORTS WALDHEIM REZONING

Statement

to

City Council Zoning Subcommittee (Anthony Avella, chair)

by

Vice President Harbachan Singh, co-Chair, Zoning and Code Enforcement Committee

Thank you chairperson Avella and committee members for this opportunity to support another community re-zoning effort, in this case Waldheim. My name is Harbachan Singh and I am a Vice President of the Queens Civic Congress and co-Chair of its Zoning and Code Enforcement Committee. Queens Civic Congress is the borough-wide coalition of civic and condo, cooperative, tenant and other community organizations.

We need many more certified for ULURP and passed through the planning and legislative processes. Queens Civic Congress certainly appreciates the Council's effort and prevails upon our legislators to move City Hall and its City Planning to accelerate more community plans. In the meantime, the Council can take another protective step by adopting the Waldheim re-zoning. This plan reflects a long and arduous process of discussion, more discussion, meetings galore and full and open debate over how best a final community plan should look. Some wanted particular parcels treated a bit more restrictively. But this plan is a fair plan and merits your support.

Certain Queens nabes, perhaps many across our city, face situations where develops masquerade as homeowners and try to disarm a community and fight back sound community rezoning reforms. Do not let this happen in Waldheim.

Queens Civic Congress would be remiss not to note the need for City Hall, particularly its Department of City Planning, to accelerate protective efforts to preserve as well other under- and unprotected Queens neighborhoods. We look forward to working with the Council, City Hall and City Planning to make this special difference throughout our communities.

Thank you.

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