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Honorable Ronald B. Bianchi
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Dear Mr. Bianchi:

I am writing to you to make you aware that the Department will not approve the proposal to close the Manhattanville Road/Route 120 intersection in the Town-Village of Harrison which has been made by David L. Goldrich, Esq. who represents unnamed residents of the area.

The proposal has been reviewed from a technical perspective and, while some of the impacts could be mitigated if approval of various governmental bodies was obtained and significant off-site improvements were installed, it would generally degrade the transportation network in the area. We have been in contact with area property owners and the County of Westchester and have discovered that they oppose the closing of the intersection and altering traffic patterns.

I am aware that Mr. Goldrich is awaiting our response to his most recent submission and by copy of this letter we are informing him that the proposal is rejected.

To reiterate our reason for rejection - the closure of the Manhattanville Road/Route 120-Purchase Street intersection will degrade the highway network and increase system-wide congestion, air pollution, transit trip times, and emergency vehicle response times. It is not the best interests of the traveling and taxpaying public to close the intersection.

Very truly yours,

William D. Fitzpatrick
WILLIAM D. FITZPATRICK
Regional Traffic Engineer

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