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CHIN AND BREWER PRAISE FED AWARD OF \$176 MILLION IN RESILIENCY FUNDING FOR LOWER MANHATTAN

LOWER MANHATTAN - Today, Council Member Margaret Chin and Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer, co-authors of Res. 909 in support of the City's application for a National Disaster Resiliency Competition award, praised the announcement Monday of \$176 million in badly needed funding for flood control measures in Lower Manhattan:

"As authors of a resolution in support of the City's application for critical federal funding to protect Lower Manhattan from flooding, we are gratified by HUD's decision to award \$176 million for badly needed resiliency measures. It is our hope that this award, together with the \$100 million in resiliency funding already committed by the de Blasio Administration, will provide the solid financial backing to begin quickly the work of safeguarding property, vital infrastructure, and most importantly, lives in the path of future storms."

Res. 909 is expected to be voted on later today at the Council's Stated Meeting.

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