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**NEW STOP SIGN COMING TO BUSY FIDI INTERSECTION, FOLLOWING  
REQUEST BY COUNCIL MEMBER CHIN AND RESIDENTS**

Today, Council Member Margaret Chin announced that the City's Department of Transportation has approved the installation of a stop sign at the corner of William and John Streets, which has been a site of longstanding concern for many Financial District residents worried about pedestrian safety.

Following a dialogue with residents who live around that busy intersection, and who have experienced many dangerous close calls amid fast-moving traffic, Council Member Chin reached out to DOT in March to request the stop sign. After reviewing the site, DOT recently informed Council Member Chin's office that the stop sign has been approved. DOT also stated that the stop sign will be installed within the next two weeks.

State Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver and State Senator Daniel Squadron, who have also championed street safety across Lower Manhattan, joined in today's announcement.

"I'm proud that we were able to work with concerned residents and the Department of Transportation to take this positive step to improve street safety in the Financial District," **said Council Member Chin**. "Every step counts, but this was also particularly important because of the burgeoning residential population in this neighborhood, which necessitates heightened scrutiny regarding the safety of pedestrians and cyclists. I will remain closely in touch with DOT to make sure this stop sign is installed as quickly as possible."

"It is great news that the city has listened to local residents and will install a stop sign at William and John Streets," **said Assembly Speaker Silver**. "As this area becomes increasingly residential, it is essential that we take proactive measures to protect pedestrians and ensure that safety is a priority. I want to thank Council Member Margaret Chin for her efforts in bringing about this important change."

"The new stop sign at William and John Streets will make this intersection safer for pedestrians, cyclists, and drivers alike," **said Senator Squadron**. "Thank you to Councilmember Chin for alerting DOT to the concerns of local residents, who are so important in identifying the safety issues facing their neighborhood."

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