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Greater Calvary Baptist Church
43-55 W. 124th Street
New York, NY 10027

Dear Congregation,

Our office is in receipt of your card illustrating the efforts of Mt. Sinai Medical Center to establish a service clinic for individuals coping with challenges associated with addiction. This is a consistent issues in the Northern Manhattan communities since we are already inundated with similar service providers.

We were compelled to respond to your card as the Assembly Member upon learning of Mt. Sinai's endeavor, penned a letter to New York City's Board of Standard and Appeals which is tasked with approving such applications, as well as Community Board 10.

In the Assembly Member's letter, she states her objection to Mt. Sinai receiving any approval for opening and operating a service facility since so many already exist. More importantly, she pushed her objection to the application after learning from the community board that Mt. Sinai misrepresented why they were pursuing a zoning change for a property that needed community approval.

For these reasons, New York State Assembly Member Inez E. Dickens stands with her community against Mt. Sinai's quest for operating a service center.

Regards,

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