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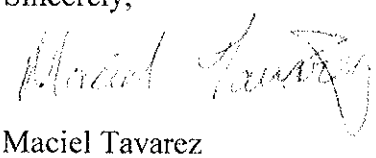
Good Afternoon, I am Rose Rivera and I am representing the youth of Williamsburg in Brooklyn. I have been a citizen of the Williamsburg community all of my 16 year life. I have seen first hand the changes my community is going through and am aware of all the new people moving in. I can see is changing. But, here at Williamsburg I have seen too many buildings being built and not enough green space for it's residents. What suprises me, is that there are not enough parks that are being built. Most of the parks in Williamsburg are made out of concrete and it's not safe for children to run around and play safely. Also when more people come to move here they may go to McCarren Park and crowd the park up, and that is the only green space we got. Within this proposal, what I will like to see is more green park space near the waterfront, so I can relax and enjoy the space. I hope that the Williamsburg future is not made up of skyscrappers and retail space, but instead a place where all in the community can play and enjoy themselves near trees and not have to travel to Central Park to feel connected with nature.

Sincerely,



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