

December 23, 2019

Jainey Bavishi Director, Mayor's Office of Resiliency 253 Broadway New York, NY 10007

Re: Support for Ilya Azaroff for New York Panel on Climate Change

Dear Jainey,

I am writing to express my support for Illya Azaroff to be nominated to the New York Panel of Climate Change.

I have worked with Illya for over five year through my time as the Executive Director of Hazard Mitigation of Recovery at NYC Emergency Management. Throughout this time, Ilya has been a subject matter expert and support to the Unit on resiliency design strategies, which have been critical to informing our Hazard Mitigation Plan and outreach to our agency partners.

Illya has proven to be a collaborative and cross-cutting leader for hazard mitigation design in the New York City area, provide by his leadership for the all hazards Hurricane Home in Breezy Point. He has also served as an instructor and speaker in many NYC-centric efforts outlining FEMA design guidelines for all hazard mitigation, including wind, flooding, and earthquakes.

I believe Ilya to be a collaborate leader that knows the NYC built environment and challenges with implementing resiliency, something that would be incredibly valuable to the NPCC.

Please reach out with any questions,

**Heather Roiter** 

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