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Dear Chancellor Carranza and President Grillo:

As you and your Superintendents and Principals struggle with re-opening plans, we know that finding alternative spaces for classrooms, lunch, and gym/recreational activities is key. So my office has compiled the attached extensive list of potential spaces in Manhattan.

The list (linked at bit.ly/3a2LmSn) is broken down by school district, and includes many outdoor spaces (such as plazas, privately-owned public spaces officially designated as "POPS", and streets that are or could be closed); office and hotel spaces that are not currently being used; and large venues that are also not currently in use. While of course we could not vet each space to your standards, let alone negotiate cost, we were for the most part able to determine the type of space, size, and ADA accessibility.

We hope that this will provide useful to you and your staffs. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any further questions.

Sincerely,

Gale A. Brewer
Manhattan Borough President