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Hon. Roanne L. Mann, U.S. Magistrate Judge
United States District Court for the
Eastern District of New York
225 Cadman Plaza East
Brooklyn NY 11201

Re: Favors et al v. Cuomo et al, 1:11-cv-5632
District 7/District 10

Dear Madam Magistrate Judge:

As a 61-year resident of Brooklyn Heights, a former member of the Board of Trustees of the Brooklyn Heights Association, a current member of the Brooklyn Bridge Park Advisory Committee, and the current co-chair of the Brooklyn Bridge Park Community Council, this is to urge that the Hon. Nydia Velazquez' new District 7 **continue** to include the shoreline between **Fulton Landing** (Brooklyn Bridge) and **Atlantic Avenue**. While Congressman Nadler has a proven interest and record in promoting the industrial and maritime waterfront in Brooklyn from 69th Street north to Ft. Hamilton Avenue, and while there may be some logic to extending his new District 10 to include the working piers from Erie Basin to Pier 7 at **Atlantic Avenue** – *there is no rationale for extending his District even further north from Pier 6 to Pier 1 – since these Piers and this upland has since 2001 become the already world-famous Brooklyn Bridge Park*. Furthermore, there is no rationale for **splitting** the Pier 1-6 section of the Park from the Brooklyn Bridge south, from the *other* half of the Park from Brooklyn Bridge north to the Con Edison line north of the Manhattan Bridge.

While we have no doubt of Mr. Nadler's good intentions vis a vis the Park, we have long treasured Ms. Velazquez support and attention to the **whole** Park, and beg you to restore the Furman Street Piers 1-6 part of the Park to her District.

Sincerely yours,