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**STATEMENT FROM MAYOR BILL DE BLASIO ON THE JEROME AVENUE  
NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN**

“This plan marks another milestone in the important progress we are making to build a fairer and more affordable New York City. With the Jerome Avenue Neighborhood Plan, this Bronx community will, for the first time ever, get the overarching City investments and protections it richly deserves. Residents and businesses will see safer streets, better parks, new schools and upgrades to the beloved Davidson Community Center. As we work to meet the challenges of a growing city, this plan allows for residential development – including permanently affordable housing – along the Jerome Corridor and makes key investments in businesses, jobs, job training and retraining. I thank Speaker Johnson, Land Use Committee Chair Salamanca, and, last but not least, Council Members Cabrera and Gibson and all Jerome residents who helped us get this plan right.”

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