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Ms. Janette Sadik-Khan  
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Dear Ms. Sadik-Khan,

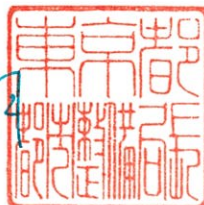
The National Association of City Transportation Officials' Global Designing Cities Initiative has recently produced the Global Street Design Guide. This publication presents a worldwide standard for street design to meet the goals of our city and the desires of the users of our streets. Today, as we undertake transportation and city planning, we are pressed to meet the needs of our ever-changing city, and must change our perceptions of roads to reflect not only the essential objectives of roads, but the new desires of our residents as well. In response to various changes, including human activity, climate change, and communications technology, we must review and revise our existing measures and take on a totally new approach.

Within such circumstances, the Tokyo Metropolitan Government is working to use street space of access roads to create attractive pedestrian spaces for people-centered city design. The Global Street Design Guide offers a concrete guide for improving our street environment for pedestrians, bicycles, automobiles, and transit users, and shows a new direction for cities. We believe the Guide is a valuable tool for us as we work with various stakeholders to achieve common goals in the design of streets.

Nobuo Sato, on behalf of the Bureau of Urban Development, Tokyo Metropolitan Government, endorses the Global Street Design Guide as an effective reference for creating safe and comfortable streets and public spaces.

Sincerely,

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