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**Council member Margaret Chin reacts to proposed closing of  
North Moore and Engine 4 fire companies in District-1, lower  
Manhattan**

New York, NY – Today, after repeated requests from members of the New York City Council, the FDNY and the Bloomberg Administration released the list of 20 fire companies that are slated to close under the FY12 executive budget.

In District-1, Lower Manhattan, Engine 4, located at 42 South Street in lower Manhattan, and Ladder 8, located at 14 North Moore Street in Tribeca, were listed for closing.

“To even think about closing two fire companies in lower Manhattan – the number one terror target in our country – is unconscionable,” Council member Margaret Chin, who represents District-1, including the financial district and World Trade Center. “We cannot sacrifice our fire companies. Residents of lower Manhattan cannot, and should not, be asked to take that risk.”

“Not only will this place an undue burden on the firehouses left behind but it is guaranteed to increase response time,” Council member Chin continued. “This is dangerous for our community and for the brave men and women of the FDNY.”

Council member Chin urged the community to organize and protest against these unnecessary and dangerous fire house closings.

This year, over 5 million visitors will flood Lower Manhattan for the opening of Memorial Plaza on the tenth anniversary of September 11<sup>th</sup>. The need for increased public safety, fire, emergency response units, and police has never been greater than it will be this coming September.

