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TO: } C. P. PRODUCTS } AFTER P.104M  
L. CAROLAN } + P.90M, IS THERE  
ANY CAPITAL POWER  
OR FUNDS THAT WOULD  
JUSTIFY THE OCCURRING  
OF THIS REQUEST?  
SCHOOL?

March 7, 2002

F-P-186M

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David Klasfeld  
Deputy Chancellor for Administration  
New York City Board of Education  
110 Livingston Street,  
Brooklyn, NY 11201

Dear Mr. Klasfeld:

I want to officially request that the Board acquire former school P.S. 186, built in 1902, located at 525 West 145<sup>th</sup> Street.

In 1975, the Board surrendered former school P.S. 186 and in 1986 the City sold it to the Convent Avenue Baptist Church. The building has been deteriorating since 1975. The church has had acquisition of the building for over fifteen years and has been unable to secure the necessary resources to rehabilitate the facilities.

As previously noted, northern Manhattan is in urgent need of high schools, specifically smaller school environments. It was my hope that the Board would be able to build three new high schools in northern Manhattan in this Capital Plan providing much needed relief to the over-utilized high schools serving the same community.

As you know, P.S. 90, has been reassigned to the Board for use as a high school site. The \$35 million in lease funding for the Borough of Manhattan has been dedicated to this site. I have requested that former school P.S. 109, be allocated the scope and design funding available in the Capital Plan.

Your immediate attention to this request and subsequent written response is extremely appreciated. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 718-935-3301, if you have any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,

*Irving Hamer*

cc: Members, Board of Education  
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