

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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ROBERT WRIGHT, KATHLEEN WALKER,  
HENRY ROMAN, ELIZABETH ROGERS,  
DAVID RAY, ODESSA PORTLETTE,  
PAULA LOVING, ANGELO COLON  
JACQUELINE BROWN, WALTER BEACH,  
CARRIE ANDERSON, individually and as  
class representatives,

01 CV 4437 (DC)

Plaintiffs,

-against-

HENRY J. STERN, individually and in his  
official capacity as Commissioner of the New  
York City Department of Parks and Recreation,  
ADRIAN BENEPE, individually and in his  
official capacity as Commissioner of the New  
York City Department of Parks and Recreation,  
and THE CITY OF NEW YORK,

Defendants.

**ORDER GRANTING  
PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF  
SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND  
ORDERING NOTICE TO THE  
CLASS**

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After a review of the parties' proposed Stipulation & Order, along with supporting memoranda, the Court preliminarily approves the settlement agreement between the parties, orders the giving of notice to members of the class of the settlement agreement, through mailing of individual notices as well as published notice in the manner agreed upon by the parties, and further orders that the Court will hold a hearing at 10 AM. on Friday, May 12, 2008 to consider the fairness, reasonableness and adequacy of the proposed settlement.

This 26<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2008.

  
DENNY CHIN,  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE