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Honorable Tyisha Walker-Myers  
President, Board of Alders  
165 Church Street  
New Haven, CT 06510

Dear Madam President Walker-Myers,

I write in support of the MINIPNG x Thrift 2 Death event scheduled for March 28th from 12:00–5:00 PM (with setup beginning at 8:45 AM).

The event will require a temporary street closure of Edwards Street between 9 Edwards Street and State Street, as well as State Street between Edwards Street and Bishop Street. Local access signage will be posted to ensure residents can enter Hine Place and Beech Street without disruption.

Event organizers have secured petition support from 50% of the business owners on the affected areas of State Street. I am supportive of this community-centered event and the temporary closures necessary to facilitate it.

Sincerely,

Hon. Caroline Tanbee Smith  
Alder, Ward 9