



APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO RIDE BIKE IN NEW YORK CITY

APPLICANT NAME/ALIAS: Rick Muller BOROUGH OF RESIDENCE: Manhattan

CHARACTER OF CYCLIST: SOCIAL ___/ ANTISOCIAL ___/ POLITICAL X/ APOLITICAL ___ VELOPROP CYCLIST ID NO. (IF YOU DO NOT HAVE AN ID NUMBER, ONE WILL BE PROVIDED TO YOU) 2-14-125

NAME OF ORGANIZATIONS, CLUBS, OR FRIENDS YOU RIDE WITH SO WE CAN FOLLOW THEM TOO: I ride alone, but I am a longtime member of Transportation Alternatives

HAS ORGANIZATION FILED WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE A SWORN COPY OF ITS CONSTITUTION AND OTHER DOCUMENTS, INCLUDING MEDICAL RECORDS, PSYCHOLOGICAL PROFILE, SAT SCORES, VOTING HISTORY, TISSUE SAMPLES, AND MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME? YES ___/ No ___ / SEE NYPD FILE X ARE YOU NOW, OR HAVE YOU EVER BEEN, A MEMBER OF A CRITICAL MASS RIDE? YES ___/ No X/ I PLEAD THE FIFTH ___

DESCRIPTION OF PARADE ROUTE I am a purely utilitarian cyclist, using my bike to get to and from work, meetings, shopping, the gym and visiting friends and family, so my routes are from home in the East Village using Second Avenue, First Avenue, Broadway, Lafayette Street, Centre Street, Park Row, Sixth Avenue, Seventh Avenue, Central Park Drive, Eighth Avenue, Tenth Avenue, and the Hudson River Greenway north / south, and Third Street, Fourth Street, Ninth Street, 14th Street, 23rd Street, 60th Street, 72nd street, 96th Street, 110th Street and 125th Street cross-town.

DESCRIPTION OF IDENTIFIABLE UNIFORM OR EQUIPMENT I ride a KICKbike (bicycle-size push scooter invented in Finland), no helmet (I want us to be like Europeans - everyday cyclists who just hop on their bike when they need to get somewhere), bell, lights at night, and whatever clothing I am wearing to go wherever I go (with gloves and ear muffs for kicking when it is cold).

NUMBER OF CYCLISTS ANTICIPATED WITHIN ONE-BLOCK AREA 3 - 6 WILL RIFLES OR SHOTGUNS BE CARRIED: YES / NO FIRED: YES / NO (IF YES, INDICATE QUANTITY OR TYPE) NO

PURPOSE OF PARADE I ride for the sheer pleasure of the kicking motion, the combined benefits of quick transportation and built-in exercise, the avoidance of the massive inconvenience and expense of owning and using a car in a dense urban environment, my love of human-powered transportation (I also kayak), the wish to maintain some sense of autonomy by getting there under my own steam and not being tied in (as much as I can avoid it) to the oil industry and the automotive industry, and all the inequity and waste and ruination of resources they entail.

MEETINGS BEFORE OR AFTER EVENT, WHO YOU WILL TALK TO, WHAT YOU WILL SAY: Friends, Family, Co-workers, Miscellaneous New Yorkers met in the course of my day, discussing life, work, love, relationships, politics, art, science, current events. NAME OF GRAND MARSHAL, RIDE LEADER, OR ANARCHIST-BENT-ON-MAYHEM IN CHARGE: myself

DEPOSES AND SAYS THAT ALL THE ANSWERS TO THE FOREGOING QUESTIONS ARE TRUE. PENALTY FOR FALSIFICATIONS: FALSIFICATION FOR ANY STATEMENT HEREIN IS AN OFFENSE PUNISHABLE BY A FINE OR IMPRISONMENT OR BOTH (NYC ADMINISTRATIVE CODE [10-154].)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: [] /s/ Rick Muller

SWORN TO ME, THIS DAY OF , 2007 BY: (MUST BE SIGNED BY NOTARY PUBLIC, COMMISSIONER OF DEEDS, MAYOR, POLICE CHIEF, OR ANYONE ELSE WHO IS REALLY HARD TO GET A SIGNATURE FROM.) NOTE: 24 HOURS NOTICE REQUIRED FOR PERMIT BEFORE RIDING. NO PARADES ARE PERMITTED ON SUNDAY BEFORE 2PM, OR WHEN MRS. RAYMOND KELLY MUST BE DRIVEN TO AN IMPORTANT MEETING, UNLESS ATTENDED BY CIVIL SERVANT GS-9 OR HIGHER.

OPTIONAL: IN ACCORDANCE WITH MAYOR BLOOMBERG'S DEPARTMENT OF SUSTAINABILITY AND PLANYC 2030 DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, THE CITY OF NEW YORK WANTS TO MAKE YOUR BICYCLING EXPERIENCE A PLEASANT ONE IN ABOUT 23 YEARS. PLEASE ASSIST US BY ANSWERING THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS. WE WILL RESPOND WITHIN 5,980 BUSINESS DAYS.

I regret the waste of resources and authoritarian approach to Critical Mass. I am aware of the recalcitrance of the 'non-leaders' of CM in their dealings with the police, and I understand the frustration of the police, but I am disappointed in the mayor and the commissioner of NYPD, who seem to place 'law and order' above the rights of assembly and speech, especially in the context of what we are supposedly defending, but actually abrogating, in the 'war on terror', in addition to the supposed focus on a sustainable NYC, which I would imagine would foster policies of encouraging cycling and broadening the narrow policy goal of throughput of automotive traffic as the primary objective of NYPD and the Department of Transportation.. Therefore, it seems that the mayor would direct NYPD and DOT to concentrate on making cycling safer with the three E's - Engineering, Enforcement, Education - meaning redesign of the streets and sidewalks to accommodate the majority of users - pedestrians (wider sidewalks), transit riders (investment in infrastructure, equipment and dedicated space on the streets) and cyclists (complete the bike-lane network for starters) instead of drivers, enforcement of traffic rules (and not just against cyclists) to enhance safety, and the education of NYPD and the general public in civility and sustainability (can you imagine a city in which cyclists are respected for their responsible choice of transport mode and for their exemplary behavior?).