



MEMO

Date: August 9th, 2022
To: BPRW Commission
From: Meghan O'Daniel, Community Garden & Parks Outreach Coordinator
RE: Out of the Darkness Walk Special Use Permit for October 15th, 2022

Request for a Special Use Permit at Battery Park to hold a fundraising event and for a waiver to allow amplified sound.

The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP) is requesting to host their Out of the Darkness walk at Battery Park. Fundraising efforts for this event will help support their mission to give those affected by suicide a nationwide community empowered by research, education and advocacy to take action against this leading cause of death. They are dedicated to saving lives and bringing hope to those affected by suicide. The organizers are expecting that the event will have around 250 participants. They will be responsible for site clean-up. They have the necessary Certificate of Insurance.

The amplified sound will take place between 8:30am and 10:30am, including music and speeches. They have already booked Battery Park.

Staff contacts for the event is Heather White.

It is on a day with no conflicting events.

Staff Recommendations:

Allow for Special Use Permit including a waiver for amplified sound.