COMMUNITY BOARD #1 MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: JANUARY 20, 1998

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: YOUTH

COMMITTEE VOTE: 6 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSTAINED
BOARD VOTE: 26 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSTAINED

RE: **PS/IS 89**

WHEREAS: Community Board #1 has been advocating since 1987 to revise the catchment zone of PS 234 so that all children of our district, including those living east of Broadway, could attend a local school of their choice, and

WHEREAS: CB #1 played a pivotal role in lobbying for the new PS/IS 89 scheduled to open in September, and

WHEREAS: CB #1, and many other organizations and elected officials, made it clear that this school was sought to serve the entire Community Board district, and

WHEREAS: The Chancellor's Office of the NYC Board of Education wrote in a March 8, 1995 letter to the City Planning Commission that "construction of the new elementary and intermediate schools has been proposed by the Board of Education to serve students from proposed residential development in Battery Park City and throughout Lower Manhattan", and

WHEREAS: CB #1 believes that parents overwhelmingly prefer to have choices in determining which school their children should attend, and

WHEREAS: CB #1, while grateful for and fully recognizing the excellence of PS 234 and the Early Childhood Center (PS 190), believes it would be beneficial to offer parents and children somewhat different learning environments and philosophies since not every child responds in the same manner to different educational approaches, and

WHEREAS: At a CB #1 sponsored public hearing on January 8th attended by several hundred residents there were a few common themes made by the speakers which clearly seemed to represent the consensus of that group and they were:

1) CB #1 residents east of Broadway including those north of Chambers Street should be zoned to attend schools located in Community Board #1
2) Parents want to have a choice to send their children to either PS 234 or PS 89
3) IS 89 should be zoned to be a local intermediate school and it should provide more than 300 seats
4) People do not want the school board to draw another line which divides this community, and

WHEREAS: CB #1 believes that it is absolutely critical that the children of our district be given a clear preference when determining who shall attend IS 89, and

WHEREAS: CB #1 has devoted itself towards creating an attractive appealing and cohesive residential community, one which is particularly family-friendly, and we believe that Community School Board #2 should respect our community and its feelings by allowing all our local children at attend the schools that we fought so hard to create, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Community Board #1 strongly recommends that Community School Board #2 adopt the following policies in regards to the new PS/IS 89:

1) Both PS 89 and PS 234 should be zoned to serve all children residing in CB #1 including those residing east of Broadway both north and south of Chambers Street
2) Parents of local children should be given the option to select either PS 89, PS 234 or the Early Childhood Center (PS 190) and there should be no line drawn to again divide our community
3) PS 89 and PS 234 should not be clones of one another but should have their own identity and offer somewhat different educational approaches
4) IS 89 should be zoned as a local (CB #1) intermediate school or at the absolute minimum set aside at least 80% of its seats for local children
5) Both PS 89 and IS 89 should have 450 seats
6) There must be a strict limit on the number of variances issued by PS 89 and 234 so that there is no repeat of what happened to PS 234 wherein a high percentage of students came from outside the CB #1 district

7) This facility should be kept open for community use, particularly for youth groups, after school hours and on weekends to the greatest degree possible.

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COMMITTEE VOTE: 12 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSTAINED
BOARD VOTE: 30 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSTAINED

RE: **Hudson River Park, text change**

WHEREAS: Current zoning does not allow parks in M2 or M3 zones, which include parts of the proposed Hudson River Park (HRP) in Northern Tribeca, and

WHEREAS: The Department of City Planning is proposing a zoning text amendment to section 62 that would facilitate the development of the HRP, and

WHEREAS: This amendment will allow the development of the HRP as envisioned west of Route 9A, and

WHEREAS: CB #1 is on record in support of the HRP, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Community Board #1 generally supports the intent of these zoning text changes to the extent that they are not inconsistent with CB #1's previous resolutions on these issues, but requests that:

- hours for public access should not be limited to those suggested in the zoning text amendment, and that the park should be open as much as possible and hours of access should be flexible and set in consultation with community representatives;
- "private parks" and "playgrounds" be defined;
- approval should not be construed to allow for any commercial development, e.g. a water amusement park or aquarium, in these sections of the park without further community review, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: Community Board #1 reserves the right to comment on any revised versions of this zoning text amendment before they are processed for final approval.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: TRIBECA

COMMITTEE VOTE:	12 IN FAVOR	0 OPPOSED	1 ABSTAINED
BOARD VOTE:	31 IN FAVOR	0 OPPOSED	0 ABSTAINED

RE: **157 Hudson Street, application for a cabaret license**

WHEREAS: CB #1 has a new cabaret license application by the Nucifera LTD at 157 Hudson St., and

WHEREAS: The area was posted, the applicant did not appear before the committee, and

WHEREAS: Two people spoke against this application, and

WHEREAS: There are several complaints on file at the Board office, and

WHEREAS: Given the past history at that space and the numerous violations relating to violence and other quality of life issues and the fact that the SLA has suspended their current liquor license for a two year period it would be totally inappropriate to grant a cabaret license to this establishment, and

WHEREAS: The applicant has repeatedly failed to appear at CB #1 when notified, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Community Board #1 does not recommend approval for a cabaret license at 157 Hudson St.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: TRIBECA

COMMITTEE VOTE: 7 IN FAVOR 3 OPPOSED 2 ABSTAINED 1 RECUSED
BOARD VOTE: 8 IN FAVOR 20 OPPOSED 2 ABSTAINED

RE: **20 Warren Street, application for a cabaret license**

WHEREAS: CB #1 has a new application by the Twenty Warren Street Food Corp. at 20 Warren St. d/b/a Twenty Warren Street Food Corp. with 18 tables and 90 seats, and

WHEREAS: The area was posted, the applicant appeared before the committee, and

WHEREAS: Eight people spoke against this application, and

WHEREAS: There have been no complaints on file at the Board office, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Community Board #1 does not recommend approval for a cabaret license.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LANDMARKS

COMMITTEE VOTE: 5 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSTAINED
BOARD VOTE: 29 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSTAINED

RE: **124 Hudson Street, proposed new building (second review)**

WHEREAS: The committee found the revised design to be a significant improvement in massing, fenestration pattern and relationship to the adjoining buildings cornice line and applauded the applicant in their addition of a significant marquee on both facades of this building, and

WHEREAS: The committee found the revised design to be appropriate, we had reservations and concerns with the following elements:

- We felt that the penthouse should be less visible or rendered in a more "rooftop" material such as metal panels.
- While we did not object to the smaller glazed areas on the east-most three ground floor bays on Ericsson Place, we did not find the infill panels to be appropriate, especially in the brick as shown, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Community Board #1 recommends that LPC approve the proposed work taking into account our reservations.

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COMMITTEE VOTE: 5 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSTAINED
BOARD VOTE: 29 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSTAINED

RE: **55 Wall Street, new exterior doors, stairways and railings for a 1500 seat restaurant and 150 room hotel**

WHEREAS: The committee found the proposed reuse of the building to be a spectacular addition to Lower Manhattan and the renovation design to have been extremely sensitively undertaken, and

WHEREAS: The committee found the design to be appropriate, we had reservations and concerns with the following elements:

- We felt that all of the ground floor window openings should be returned to doors as per the original building design not just the four proposed. The sidewalk is very narrow in front of this building and the current ground floor massing extremely fortress like. However, with the new, more public use, we feel that returning to a more open feeling, as per the original design, would be appropriate.
- While we did not object to the reinstatement of the two french doors on the second floor balcony, we again would prefer the full restoration of all the french doors given that the balconies will be returned to public use, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Community Board #1 recommends that LPC approve the proposed work taking into account our reservations.

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COMMITTEE VOTE: 5 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSTAINED
BOARD VOTE: 29 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSTAINED

RE: **142 Duane Street, new storefront**

WHEREAS: The committee found the design to be appropriate and looks forward to the removal of the current unsightly mess of a storefront and the restoration of the handsome original one, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Community Board #1 recommends that LPC approve the proposed work.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: TRIBECA

BOARD VOTE: 29 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 2 ABSTAINED

RE: **Independent, 179 West Broadway, Sidewalk Cafe Application**

WHEREAS: CB #1 has a renewal application by the Independent restaurant at 179 West Broadway for a five year revocable consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk cafe with 11 tables with 21 seats, and

WHEREAS: There have no complaints on file at the Board office and no one spoke in opposition, and

WHEREAS: The applicant stated the hours of operation shall be noon-midnight, 7 days per week, May-October, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: CB #1 recommends approval for a five year revocable consent to Independent, to operate an unenclosed sidewalk cafe with 11 tables and 21seats at 179 West Broadway.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: TRIBECA

BOARD VOTE: 28 IN FAVOR 2 OPPOSED 2 ABSTAINED

RE: **20 Warren Street, application for a cabaret license**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: CB #1 has no objection to a one year cabaret license which will insure that dancing ceases no later than 1 AM.

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