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**Resolution: Support of the Liquor License Application of HH Bowen LLC for a new establishment to be located at 387 Lenox Avenue, New York, NY 10027.**

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Liquor Authority (SLA) has jurisdiction to issue on-premises licenses according to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Laws, and is responsible for enforcing those laws; and

**WHEREAS**, Manhattan Community Board 10 reviews all new applications and offers guidance to the SLA about the potential impact of a license on public safety and quality of life in our neighborhoods; and

**WHEREAS**, Community Boards, as part of their due diligence process, review an applicant's ownership and funding; floor plans of the proposed location, food and beverage to be served, operational aspects of the restaurant/bar or lounge, price points, employee hiring processes, employee wages and benefits, and community involvement; and

**WHEREAS**, HH Bowen LLC is applying for a Liquor License for a new establishment to be located at 387 Lenox Avenue, New York, NY 10027 (between 129<sup>th</sup> – 130<sup>th</sup> Streets, west side); and

**WHEREAS**, the Applicant's principals, Ms. Tiffany Bowen and Mr. Stephen Bowen, appeared before Community Board 10's Economic Development Committee on February 12, 2015 and presented the following information:

1. Mr. and Mrs. Bowen are the sole owners of HH Bowen LLC.
2. Mr. and Mrs. Bowen are homeowners in Harlem, residing one block from the proposed premises. Ms. Bowen is a real estate professional with an MBA in business. Mr. Bowen is a professional football player, having played in the NFL for the last 10 years.
3. Applicant's proposed new establishment will specialize in American bar food.
4. Applicant has obtained a 10-year lease for the premises.
5. The restaurant's main floor will be approximately 1,500 square feet and will accommodate 60 seated patrons and 12 patrons at the bar.

6. The restaurant will be open seven days, from 4:00 pm to 4:00 am Monday to Friday and from noon to 4:00 am on Saturday and Sunday.
7. The restaurant will not provide any live music or entertainment, other streaming recorded background music and occasional DJs for holiday parties or special events.
8. The restaurant's price points will be \$13.00 - \$20.00 for food and \$12.00 - \$15.00 for cocktails.
9. The Applicant plans to employ 20 – 30 people, including a General Manager, a chef/cook, bartenders and wait staff. The Applicant intends to hire from the Community. Hiring has not begun, but they have posted help wanted signs on the door and people have dropped off resumes. They have placed advertisements for a General Manager.
10. The General Manager will be paid a salary with medical and dental benefits. Others will earn minimum wage plus tips. Applicant will train employees handling liquor through the SLA Alcohol Awareness Training Program and a health department trained employee holding a food handling certificate will be on premises at all times that food is being prepared or served.
11. The restaurant will have an ADT camera and security system installed, but they will not be operating as a club and they do not plan to hire security personnel at this time.
12. The establishment are being newly designed and will have handicapped and wheelchair accessible entryways, dining areas and bathrooms.

**WHEREAS**, the Applicant has submitted a letter of support from the National Black Theatre Workshop and a petition of support signed by 12 area residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the Economic Development Committee voted 8-yes, 0-no, and 0-abstentions to support this application;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that on March 4, 2015, the Manhattan Borough Community Board 10 supports the Liquor License application of HH Bowen LLC with a vote of 27 in favor, 3 opposed and 1 abstention.