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**Resolution: Support of new full liquor license for N and D Restaurants located at 261 West 125<sup>th</sup> Street.**

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Liquor Authority (SLA) has the jurisdiction to issue on premise licenses according to the Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) 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 reviews the company ownership and funding; floor plans of the proposed location, food and beverage to be served; operational aspects of the restaurant/bar or lounge; price point; employee hiring processes; employee wages and benefits; community involvement; and

**WHEREAS**, N and D Restaurants, a wholly owned subsidiary of Darden Restaurants, Inc. is applying for a full liquor license for Red Lobster # 6385 located at 261 West 125<sup>th</sup> Street;

**WHEREAS**, N and D Restaurants presented to the Economic Development Committee on April 12th and presented the following information;

**WHEREAS**, Red Lobster # 6385 proposes to offer a full spectrum of contemporary dishes with a primary emphasis on seafood and a selection of wines, beer and cocktails;

**WHEREAS**, Red Lobster # 6385 floor plans include 1382 square feet on the first level and 7,991 square feet on the second level for a total capacity of 286 patrons within 9,373 square feet, and will serve lunch and dinner;

**WHEREAS**, Red Lobster # 6385 will be open for lunch and dinner with the operating hours of Sunday through Thursday 11 am to 10 pm; Friday and Saturday 11 am to 11 pm;

**WHEREAS**, Red Lobster # 6385 will play background recorded music only and will not have live music; and

**WHEREAS**, Red Lobster # 6385 price point will be: lunch \$9-17; Entrees \$14 to \$37 average \$25; dessert \$7 to \$9; Wine by the glass \$7 to \$10 and Wine by the bottle \$28 to \$39 average \$33; and

**WHEREAS**, Red Lobster # 6385 will create approximately 100 new employment opportunities and will work with Seedco, a Work Force One job developer contractor to hire local talent as well as using independent efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, Red Lobster # 6385 will pay compensation commensurate with job title and experience-positions will be based on experience and scope of work; health benefits will be offered, as well as retirement plans, paid vacations and life insurance;

**WHEREAS**, N and D Restaurants has produced evidence of community support via support letters from surrounding neighbors, including the Apollo Theater, Aloft Hotel, and Harlem Commonwealth Council;

**WHEREAS**, the Economic Development Committee on April 12<sup>th</sup>, voted 11-yes, 0-no, and 2-abstentions to support this application with one condition- applicant must provide a copy of the executed lease for 261 West 125<sup>th</sup> Street; applicant supplied a copy of the lease on April 16th, 2012; and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that at a regularly scheduled Manhattan Community Board 10 General Board meeting on May 2, 2012, the Board voted to approve the full liquor license application of N and D Restaurants / Red Lobster # 6385 located at 261 West 125<sup>th</sup> Street with a vote of 29 in favor, 1 opposed, with no abstentions.