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Resolution: Support of new full liquor license for N and D Restaurants located at 261 West 125th 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 125th 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 12th, 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 125th 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 125th Street with a vote of 29 in favor, 1 opposed, with no abstentions.