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Resolution: Support of the Liquor License Application of Harlem Café LLC, located at 2374 Adam Clayton Powell Jr. Blvd., New York, NY 10030.

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, Harlem Café LLC is applying for a Liquor License for a new establishment to be located at 2374 Adam Clayton Powell Jr. Blvd., New York, NY 10030 (between 138-139 Sts.); and

WHEREAS, the Applicant's principal, Ms. Hyacinth A. Gilzean, appeared before Community Board 10's Economic Development Committee on May 8, 2014 and presented the following information:

1. Ms. Gilzean is the sole owner of applicant Harlem Café LLC.
2. Ms. Gilzean is a resident of Harlem who has raised two children in the community while maintaining a career in the financial services industry. Harlem Café will be her first project in the restaurant industry.
3. Applicant's proposed new establishment, Harlem Café, will specialize in American-Caribbean-French cuisine.
4. Applicant has obtained a 5-year lease, with a 5-year renewal option for the premises.

5. The restaurant will be 928 square feet and will accommodate 44 patrons: 22 seats in the dining room, 9 seats at the bar, and 8 seats in a outside patio.
6. The restaurant will be open seven days, serving breakfast from 8:00 am to 11:30 am, lunch from 12:00 noon until 4:00 pm and dinner from 4:00 pm to 10:00 pm on weekdays and until midnight on weekends.
7. The applicant will install security cameras and an ADP alarm system, and will employ security if it appears to be necessary.
8. The restaurant will not provide any entertainment or live music, other than recorded background music.
9. The restaurant's price points for food will be: breakfast from \$2.25 - \$9.75 and lunch and dinner from \$8.99 - \$19.95. Beer and cocktails will be priced from \$7.00 to \$15.00.
10. The Applicant plans to employ 3 full-time workers (2 chefs and 1 Manager) at salaries ranging from \$30,000 to 39,000. Full-time workers will be provided with sick days
11. The restaurant's Manager will be a resident of Harlem, and applicant intends to hire other employees from the community, using local news outlets and NYC Business Solutions.
12. The main entrance of the restaurant is 4 steps below street level. Applicant will provide a ramp to ensure wheelchair accessibility, and the restaurant will also have a side door that can accommodate a wheelchair. The restaurant's interior is on one level, and the bathrooms will be handicapped accessible.

WHEREAS, the Applicant has submitted a petition of support signed by 71 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 June 4, 2014 the Manhattan Borough Community Board 10 supports the Liquor License application of Harlem Café LLC with a vote of ___ in favor, ___ opposed and ___ abstentions.