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Resolution: Support of the Wine and Beer License Application of Manhattanville Coffee, LLC, 142 Edgecombe Avenue, 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, Manhattanville Coffee, LLC is applying for a Wine and Beer License for an existing establishment known as Manhattanville Coffee located at 142 Edgecombe Avenue, New York, NY 10030 (NE Corner of 142nd St.); and

WHEREAS, the Applicant's principal, Ms. Rivkah Sontag and Mr. Jack Gold appeared before Community Board 10's Economic Development Committee on December 11, 2014 and presented the following information:

1. Ms. Sontag is the sole owner of applicant Manhattanville Coffee, LLC. Mr. Gold is the establishment's manager.
2. Ms. Sontag and Mr. Gold have been operating Manhattanville Coffee as a Coffee Shop for eight months. It is their first experience in the food industry.
3. Manhattanville Coffee serves tea, coffee, bagels, grilled cheese, soups and cheese. Price points are \$3.00 - \$7.00.
4. Applicant has obtained a 5-year lease for the premises.

5. The restaurant will accommodate 36 patrons, and it has handicapped and wheelchair accessible entryways, dining areas and bathrooms. in the ground level dining area (24 at tables and 10 bar seats) and 26 patrons seated in the lower level dining area.
6. The establishment is currently open from Monday to Friday, 7:00 am – 8:00 pm and Saturday to Sunday 8:00 am – 8:00 pm. If they obtain a Wine and Beer license, they will extend the hours until approximately 10:30 pm.
7. The restaurant provides background music of soul, jazz and alternative and may invite local artist to play acoustical sets.
8. The Applicant currently employs 7 employees, 5 of whom are Harlem residents. If they obtain a Wine and Beer license, they have identified two additional Harlem residents whom they intend to hire.
9. The Applicant pays its employees \$12.00 per hour with an additional average of \$3.00 per hour from tips.

WHEREAS, the Applicant has submitted a petition of support signed by approximately 250 area residents; and

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Committee voted 9-yes, 0-no, and 0-abstentions to support this application;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that on January 7, 2015, the Manhattan Borough Community Board 10 supports the Liquor License application of Manhattanville Coffee, LLC Corp. with a vote of 27 in favor, 2 opposed and 0 abstention.