



Community Board 12 - Manhattan Washington Heights & Inwood

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George Fernández Jr. - Chairman
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April 25, 2014

Hon. Polly Trottenberg
Commissioner
NYC Department of Transportation
55 Water Street 9th Fl.
New York, NY 10041

Dear Commissioner Trottenberg:

Please be advised that at the General Meeting Tuesday, April 22, 2014 Community Board 12 Manhattan passed a resolution by a vote of (28) In Favor, (0) Opposed, (4) Abstain, approving the implementation of Phase 1 of bicycle lane networks in our District and looks forward to safer streets for all users and towards Phase 2 of the proposed bicycle network, with some suggestions.

- Whereas:** Community Board 12, Manhattan, requested in 2012 that DOT study the possibility of implementing bike paths in our District, thereby making it accessible and safe for bikers to traverse both east-west and north-south, in addition to prioritizing the ability to access bridges connecting Manhattan to the Bronx and to New Jersey; and
- Whereas:** Bicycle lanes enhance the safety for all street users, and installing a bicycle network connects our community to those north and south of us and provides additional traffic calming measures; and
- Whereas:** the NYC Department of Transportation presented "Phase 1" of its proposed bicycle network to the community at the April 7th meeting of CB12M's Traffic & Transportation Committee meeting, addressing the Board's 2012 request and proposing networks of shared lanes, protected bike paths, and bike lanes – depending on feasibility and other traffic factors; and
- Whereas:** DOT proposed to place bike lanes in each direction Amsterdam Avenue between W. 162nd Street and W. 173rd Street, as well as W. 186th St. to W. 190th Street and change from two lanes in each direction to one lane with a turning lane in order to create a calming effect in addition to adding bike lanes; and
- Whereas:** Amsterdam Ave. from W. 173rd St. to 186th Sts., an area of high volume traffic, will have a shared bike lane, with the number of traffic lanes remaining the same (i.e., two in each direction); and
- Whereas:** Amsterdam Ave. from W. 190th St. to Ft. George Hill, will best be suited by the addition of shared bike lanes; and
- Whereas:** Ft. George Hill, which currently has two traffic lanes in one direction, is proposed to have one traffic lane and to convert the area behind angle parking to a protected bike lane in two directions; and

Whereas: W. 177th St. from Amsterdam Ave. to Ft. Washington Ave. and W. 180th St. from Amsterdam Ave. to Cabrini Blvd. are proposed east-west crossing with shared bike lanes; and

Whereas: The proposed plan is scheduled to be installed in July 2014; and

Whereas: Most traffic lanes will remain intact and repaved where necessary when additional street markings are added for bicycles, the project entails a total loss of 12 parking spots in the vicinity of Ft. George Hill; now therefore be it

Resolved: CB12M supports the implementation of Phase 1 of bicycle lane networks in our District and looks forward to safer streets for all users and towards Phase 2 of the proposed bicycle network, with the following suggestions:

1. Additional analysis is needed at the skewed intersection of W. 177th St. & Broadway to ensure safety of all users
2. DOT does its best to try to find or create additional parking spots adjacent to Ft. George Hill
3. Appropriate work is done to repair any pot holes on the aforementioned streets addressed by the new proposed bicycle lane network

Sincerely,


George Fernandez, Jr.
Chair

cc: Hon. Bill de Blasio, Mayor
Hon. Gail Brewer, Manhattan Borough President
Hon. Letitia James, Public Advocate
Hon. Scott Stringer, Comptroller
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Dear Commissioner Trottenberg:

Please be advised that at the General Meeting Tuesday, April 22, 2014 Community Board 12 Manhattan passed a resolution by a vote of (19) In Favor, (7) Opposed, (6) Abstain, approves the proposed parking changes on W. 168th Street and Ft. Washington Avenue during the construction period and change of emergency room entrance on W. 168th St. with some provisions.

Whereas: The New York Presbyterian Hospital (NYPH) is in the process of renovating and expanding its emergency department by doubling its size to 45,00 square feet in order to better serve our community; and

Whereas: Construction is expected to last until 2017, with the ED reopening in stages over the next four years; and

Whereas: The primary entrance was relocated from Broadway to W. 168th Street during construction; and

Whereas: NYPH plans to make improvements to its campus by improving pedestrian and vehicle safety, offer additional accessible welcome spaces to pedestrians, better way-finding, safer cross walks, upgrade campus landscape by increasing greenery, and provide "social" spaces for community members and visitors; and

Whereas: A number of traffic safety issues were raised in the area including traffic gridlock on West 168th Street, traffic impeding emergency vehicle and MTA bus access through W. 168th Street & Ft. Washington Ave., high volume of double-parked cars, discharge of passengers in the middle of the street and not at designated locations, congestion spill-overs to adjacent blocks; and

Whereas: Current actions underway at the Medical Center by both the Hospital and Columbia University in order to reduce congestion include: relocating the NYPH and CU shuttles from Ft. Washington Ave. to Broadway, relocating deliveries to other locations or re-scheduling them to off-peak times, opening up the loading dock at earlier hours; and

Whereas: NYPH commissioned a traffic study which was performed by Sam Schwartz Engineering (on three separate days, one on the weekend in order to take vehicle occupancy inventory count) and the major findings include: majority (80%) of parking in the area is related to the medical center, proposed parking

regulations are consistent with other Manhattan hospitals, new analysis shows capacity exists in the adjacent area (1/4 mile radius) to absorb the proposed loss of parking spots; and

Whereas: There were only 9 parking spots available on W. 168th St. during the 2011-2013 construction, there are now 41 spots available overnight, and this proposal would reduce street parking to 17 spots, removing 24 spots, which is still eight spots more than were available last year; and

Whereas: All 18 spots currently available on the east side of Ft. Washington between W. 165th & W. 168th Streets also would be eliminated, for a total reduction of 42 spots overall; and

Whereas: NYPH has parking facilities that they will encourage their employees and visitors to use in order to leave sufficient spots for community residents; and

Whereas: DOT and its commissioner have been in close contact with the Hospital and the University over the planning stages these past 6 months and supports the proposal and has also worked with the hospital in trying to restore a number of parking spots on West 167th Street in order to facilitate additional parking in the area; now therefore be it

Resolved: CB12M approves the proposed parking changes on W. 168th Street and Ft. Washington Avenue during the construction period and change of emergency room entrance on W. 168th St. with the following provisions:

1. Reassess in 2015 to see if traffic is flowing faster on W. 168th Street and Ft. Washington Avenue once parking spots are removed
2. NYPH offer reduced parking rates for residents in hospital parking lots during evening hours
3. NYPH enforces that its vendors deliver at non-peak hours and not double-park on Ft. Washington Avenue
4. A study of W. 165th Street as well be conducted with DOT to survey for congestion
5. Enforcement by NYPD of double parked cars and cars parked in bus stops

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Hon. Melissa Mark Viverito
Council Speaker
NYC Council
City Hall
New York, NY 10007

Hon. Thomas Fariello, RA
Acting Commissioner
NYC Dept. of Buildings
280 Broadway 3rd Fl.
New York, NY 10007

Re: Proposed Local Law (Amendment, or Intro 17-2014)

Dear Speaker Mark-Viverito & Acting Commissioner Fariello:

Please be advised that at the April 22, 2014 General Meeting at Community Board 12-Manhattan a resolution was passed with a unanimous vote of (38) In Favor, (0), Opposed, and (0) Abstain supporting the proposed Local Law to amend the administrative code of the City of New York in relation to authorization of after-hours work variances issued by the Department of Buildings ("DOB").

Whereas: City Council Members Rosie Mendez and Daniel Garodnick have introduced a proposed Local Law to amend (the Amendment" or "Intro.: 17-2014") the administrative code of the City of New York in relation to authorization of after-hours work variances ("AHV") issued by the Department of Buildings ("DOB"). The reasons cited for the Amendment include there being no effective transparency in DOB's approval process, no meaningful community consultation or review, over-use of the broadly defined undue-hardship category and numerous non-emergency projects being granted variances to work until midnight on weekdays and all day long on weekends; and

Whereas: The key provisions (the "Key Provisions") of the Amendment include:

1. repealing the undue hardship category;
2. requiring applicants for projects where emergency work, public safety or city construction projects to submit a detailed explanation of the condition that warrant the AHV and requiring DOB to make a written decision that spells out its rationale for approval or disapproval and to post all documents on-line;
3. for applications under the "construction projects with minimal noise impact", requiring DOB make the applicants detailed explanation available to the public for five days, to allow members of the public to submit comments by mail or online, to take public comments into account in making its decisions as well as whether or not other AHV's have been permitted in a five-block radius of the site for which an application is submitted, spell out the rational for its approval or disapproval and post all documents online;

4. requiring DOB to implement an e-mail subscription system / database to allow interested parties to sign up for notifications of AHV applications in their geographic area;
5. limiting any AHV approved under the category of "construction projects with minimal noise impact" to no work whatsoever after 8PM on weekdays, work on Saturday to the hours of 11AM to 4PM and no work whatsoever on Sundays;
6. increase by 2.3 times, the maximum allowable, all fines for violations of AHV regulations; and
7. requiring the applicant's noise mitigation plan to be posted on-site and visible to the public; and

Whereas:: The amendment was discussed at the March 2014 Manhattan Borough Board (the "Borough Board") meeting and will be voted on at the April 2014 Borough Board meeting to be held on April 17, 2014; and

Whereas: Land Use Committee ("Land Use" or the "Committee") discussed the Amendment at its April 2, 2014 meeting, expressed support for it but required clarification on various matters before it was comfortable voting on the matter. Since the Borough Board is scheduled to vote on the Amendment before CB12-M's regularly scheduled General Meeting the matter was referred to the Executive Committee to consider on behalf of the full board, consistent with the by-laws of CB12-M. Land Use generate a set of questions which were forwarded to the office of Council Member Mendez, who sent a member of her staff to attend the April 8th Executive Committee meeting to address the questions and further explain the intent of the Amendment; and

Whereas: The Executive Committee expressed support for the Amendment but recommended certain modifications to its Key Provisions. Now, therefore,

Be It Resolved: Community Board 12-Manhattan supports passage of the proposed Local Law to amend (the Amendment" or "Intro.: 17-2014") the administrative code of the City of New York in relation to authorization of after-hours work variances issued by the Department of Buildings but recommends that:

1. the "undue hardship" category retained and its definition made less broad;
2. the City Council state a rationale for increasing by 2.3 times violations of after-hours variance regulations;
3. a uniform unit of measure, such as feet instead of blocks, be used to establish the radius used to determine the geographic area in which other approved AHV applications are considered;
4. the Building Department be required to clarify the definition of Emergency Work;
5. the Building Department require written notification be provided to neighboring buildings as part of the application process for after-hours work authorization;
6. "minimal noise impact" be more specifically defined to include, among other things, decibel level, frequency and duration of noise;
7. The prohibition of work on Sundays be reconsidered to avoid the perception that it is related to Sunday as the day of religious observance since Saturday is also the Sabbath for many people.

Thank you for a favorable consideration of our request.

Sincerely,



George Fernandez, Jr.

Chair

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Hon. Robert B. Tierney
Chair
NYC Landmarks Preservation Commission
Municipal Building
1 Centre Street 9th Floor, North
New York, N.Y. 10007

RE: Supporting some of the proposed renovations to
434 West 162nd Street – Jumel Terrace Historic District

Dear Chairman Tierney:

Please be advised that at the General Meeting of Manhattan Community Board 12 held on Tuesday, April 22, 2014 a resolution passed with a majority vote of (37) In Favor, (1), Opposed, and (0) Abstain supporting the proposed renovations to 434 West 162nd Street, including the roof deck and modifications to the fenestration at garden level of the rear façade, but opposing the bulkhead as it is presently designed.

Whereas: 434 West 162nd Street (the "Property") is located on the south side of West 162nd Street, between Jumel Terrace and St. Nicholas Avenue, within the Jumel Terrace Historic District. Alterations to the buildings located within historic districts must be reviewed and approved by the Landmarks Preservation Commission ("LPC"). The new owners of the Property propose to undertake various renovations. The interior renovations can be reviewed and approved by LPC staff. The renovations consisting of a roof deck, a new bulkhead enclosing a stair and landing leading from the top floor to the roof, and modifications to the fenestration at the garden level of the rear façade (the "Exterior Renovations") must be reviewed and approved by the LPC at a public hearing (the "Public Hearing"); and

Whereas: The Public Hearing to consider the Exterior Renovations was initially scheduled for Tuesday, March 18, 2014, which was prior to General Meeting of Manhattan Community Board 12 ("CB12-M"), scheduled for March 25, 2014. Therefore, the resolution adopted CB12's Land Use Committee ("Land Use" or the "Committee") on March 5, 2014 supporting the Exterior Renovations was referred to the Executive Committee, which adopted it on March 11, 2014 on behalf of CB12-M to facilitate providing comments to LPC in time for the Public Hearing; and

Whereas: At the March 5th Land Use meeting Richard Goodstein and Michael Hanson of NC2 Architecture LLP presented the Exterior Renovations. The roof deck and the modifications to the fenestration of the rear façade are not visible from any public street or thoroughfare. The bulkhead is not visible from West 162nd Street, the primary street onto which the Property faces. The bulkhead can be seen from West 161st Street and St. Nicholas and Amsterdam Avenues and from portions of Jumel Terrace, between Sylvan Terrace and West 162nd Street, as well as from the Morris-Jumel Mansion and from Roger Morris Park, albeit the Committee was informed that for LPC review purposes a park is not considered a public street or thoroughfare. The vantage points from which the bulkhead is visible do not impact the primary street façade of the Property or any properties in the historic district; and

Whereas: The LPC review process does not require the applicants for alteration projects to historically designated buildings to outreach to owners and residents of neighboring buildings, but the Committee believes that is important for neighbors to be consulted and briefed on changes to buildings and structures within historic districts. Therefore, the resolution that it passed and that was adopted by the Executive Committee recommended that LPC encourage outreach to neighboring buildings in the historic district before it considers approval of the project; and

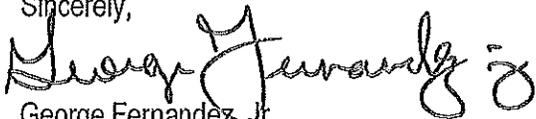
Whereas: At its April 2, 2014 meeting the Committee heard from neighboring residents to the Property and stakeholders of the historic district that they are concerned about the appearance and visibility of the proposed bulkhead. In addition, at the Public Hearing, which was rescheduled to March 25th, residents of the historic district and other stakeholders also expressed their concerns to LPC. LPC's Commissioners also expressed a variety of concerns about the appropriateness of the size, design and visibility of the bulkhead, in particular its visibility from the Morris-Jumel Mansion, and left the record open for additional comments for 30 days; now, therefore,

Be It

Resolved: Community Board 12-Manhattan supports the roof deck and modifications to the fenestration at garden level of the rear façade proposed as renovations to 434 West 162nd Street, but does not support the bulkhead as it is currently designed and recommends that the Landmarks Preservation Commission require the applicant to explore design options to reduce the size and profile of the bulkhead so that it is not visible, including from the public surrounding thoroughfares, the Morris-Jumel Mansion and the grounds of the mansion, i.e.: Roger Morris Park.

Thank you for your favorable consideration of our request.

Sincerely,



George Fernandez, Jr.
Chair

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Warshaw Burstein LLP, Legal Counsel

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New York, N.Y. 10007

**RE: American Academy of Arts & Letters
Terrace Accessibility Project**

Dear Chairman Tierney:

Please be advised that at the General Meeting of Manhattan Community Board 12 held on Tuesday, April 22, 2014 a resolution was passed by a majority vote of (38) In Favor, (0), Opposed, and (0) Abstain supporting the American Academy of Arts and Letters Terrace Accessibility Project, and calling upon the American Academy of Arts and Letters to expand the scope of the Project to make the entrance to the North Building ADA-compliant so that the auditorium housed therein will be accessible to people with disabilities who would like to attend events there.

Whereas: The American Academy of Arts and Letters (the "Academy") occupies three buildings within the Audubon Terrace Historic District (the "Historic District"). The Historic District is located between West 155th and West 156th Streets west of Broadway, and was designated as a New York City Historic District by the Landmarks Preservation Commission ("LPC") in 1979. The buildings occupied by the Academy include the original south building (the "South Building"), located at West 155th Street and built in 1921, the north building (the "North Building") located at West 156th Street and built in 1928, and the building that formerly housed the American Numismatic Society (the "East Building"), located adjacent to the South Building, built in 1907 and purchased by the Academy in 2005; and

Whereas: The South Building has two entrances located at West 155th Street. The artist/garage entrance, i.e.: the westernmost entrance is accessible and leads to the elevator stop at the basement level of the building. The elevator provides an accessible means to reach the upper floor/main gallery level of the South Building. The South Building is accessibly connected to the East Building by a glass-enclosed link constructed circa 2007. The North Building does not have an accessible entrance or an accessible means of moving between it and the South or East Buildings. The Academy proposes to undertake the Terrace Accessibility Project (the "Project") in order to make the entrances to the North and South Buildings from Audubon Terrace compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA"). The Project must be reviewed and approved by LPC; and

Whereas: The scope of work for the Project involves moving forward the existing granite treads, borders and bases of the staircases on the Terrace for each building – retaining their existing configuration, inserting new ADA-compliant granite ramps with scored surfaces for traction, providing new granite landings at each building to match the level of the entry vestibules, restoring and reinstalling four original lampposts, and installing new continuous bronze handrails; and

Whereas: James Czajka, the Academy's architect, attended the April 2, 2014 meeting of the Land Use Committee to present the Project. Unfortunately the Project does not provide for any modification to the entrance to the North Building located on West 156th Street. Now, therefore

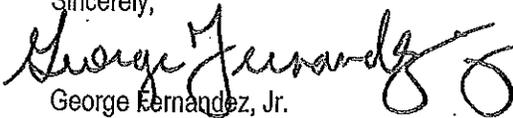
Be It

Resolved: Community Board 12-Manhattan enthusiastically supports the American Academy of Arts and Letters Terrace Accessibility Project; and be it further

Resolved: Community Board 12-Manhattan calls upon the American Academy of Arts and Letters to expand the scope of the Project to make the entrance to the North Building ADA-compliant so that the auditorium housed therein will be accessible to people with disabilities who would like to attend events there.

Thank you for your favorable consideration of this resolution.

Sincerely,



George Hernandez, Jr.
Chair

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April 23, 2014

Mr. Michael Ben-Asher
NYC dept of consumer Affairs
42 Broadway 5th Fl.
New York, NY 10004

Re: Vida Enterprises Inc.

Dear Mr. Ben-Asher:

At the General Meeting on Tuesday, April 22, 2014 Community Board 12 Manhattan, passed the following resolution with a vote of (30)In Favor, (6)Opposed, (3)Abstain, recommending that the Department of Consumer Affairs **grant** a New Unenclosed Sidewalk Cafe License to Vida Enterprises Inc. dba SAO Restaurant, located at 251 Dyckman Street, (bet. Seaman & Payson Aves.).

Whereas, Vida Enterprises Inc. dba SAO Restaurant - 251 Dyckman Street, (bet. Seaman & Payson Aves.), has duly notified Community Board 12 Manhattan of its intention to file an application for an Unenclosed Sidewalk Café License; and

Whereas, the Licensing Committee, having met on April 21, 2014 to hear comments from the community and the precinct, received testimony opposing the owner's intention to operate this sidewalk café until 11pm weeknights due to concerns about the noise that may be created by patrons; and

Whereas, additional concerns were raised regarding the potential loudness of the music that would be played at the establishment, and the lack of parking in its immediate vicinity; and

Whereas, the 34th Precinct does not object to the application but has requested a meeting with the owner; and

Whereas, the applicant has verbally agreed to close the café at 10pm on weekdays and at midnight on Saturdays and Sundays, to install a sound governor, and to post a sign asking patrons to avoid congregating in front of the business and to avoid making excessive noise when entering or exiting the premises;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that Community Board 12 Manhattan offers **No Objection** to the State Liquor Authority granting this license.

Sincerely,

George Fernandez, Jr.
Chair

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Mr. Michael Ben-Asher
NYC dept of consumer Affairs
42 Broadway 5th Fl.
New York, NY 10004

Re: Malecon Restaurant Corp.

Dear Mr. Ben-Asher:

At the General Meeting on Tuesday, April 22, 2014 Community Board 12 Manhattan, passed the following resolution with a vote of (34)In Favor, (4)Opposed, (1)Abstain, recommending that the Department of Consumer Affairs grant a New Unenclosed Sidewalk Cafe License to Malecon Restaurant Corp. dba Malecon Restaurant - 4141 Broadway, (at the corner of W. 175th Street.).

Whereas, Malecon Restaurant Corp. dba Malecon Restaurant - 4141 Broadway, (at the corner of W. 175th Street.), has duly notified Community Board 12 Manhattan of its intention to file an application for an Unenclosed Sidewalk Café License; and

Whereas, the Licensing Committee, having met on April 21, 2014 to hear comments from the community and the precinct, heard no negative comments regarding this business; and

Whereas, the applicant has verbally agreed to close the café at 10pm on weekdays and at midnight on Saturdays and Sundays, to hire security if and when special events are held, and to post a sign asking patrons to avoid congregating in front of the business and to avoid making excessive noise when entering or exiting the premises;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that Community Board 12 Manhattan offers **No Objection** to the State Liquor Authority granting this license.

Sincerely,

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Chair

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Mr. Michael Ben-Asher
NYC dept of consumer Affairs
42 Broadway 5th Fl.
New York, NY 10004

Re: Cafe De Broadway

Dear Mr. Ben-Asher:

At the General Meeting on Tuesday, April 22, 2014 Community Board 12 Manhattan, passed the following resolution with a vote of (38)In Favor, (1)Opposed, (0)Abstain, recommending that the Department of Consumer Affairs **not** grant a New Unenclosed Sidewalk Cafe License to Cafe De Broadway dba Cafe Mathias Inc. located 4996 Broadway (at the corner of W. 212th Street).

Whereas, Cafe De Broadway dba Cafe Mathias Inc. - 4996 Broadway, (at the corner of W. 212th Street.), has duly notified Community Board 12 Manhattan of its intention to file an application for an Unenclosed Sidewalk Café License; and

Whereas, the Licensing Committee, met on April 21, 2014 to hear comments from the community and the precinct, but no representative of the business was present; and

Whereas, it is the custom of Community Board 12 Manhattan to object to any application from businesses whose representatives do not appear before the Licensing Committee;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that Community Board 12 Manhattan **Objects** to the State Liquor Authority granting this license.

Sincerely,

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Hon. David Yassky, Chair
Commissioner
NYC Taxi & Limousine Commission
33 Beaver Street
New York, NY 10004

Re. Power Luxury Radio Dispatch Inc.

Dear Commissioner Yassky:

At the General Meeting on Tuesday, April 22, 2014 Community Board 12 Manhattan, passed the following resolution with a vote of (39)In Favor, (0)Opposed, (0)Abstain, recommending that the NYC Taxi & Limousine Commission grant a renewal of its Livery Car Base License to the Power Luxury Radio Dispatch Inc. located at 3759 Broadway (at the corner of West 156th St.).

Whereas, Power Luxury Radio Dispatch Inc. – 3759 Broadway (at the corner of West 156th Street), has duly notified Community Board 12 Manhattan of its intention to file an application for a renewal of its Taxi & Limousine Commission Livery Car Base License; and

Whereas, the Licensing Committee met on April 21, 2014 to hear comments from the community and the local precinct and heard no negative comments regarding this business; and

Whereas, the President of the corporation appeared before the Committee and agreed verbally to post signage at the base office advising its drivers not to double park in front of establishment, and to observe good neighbourly behavior while in the area;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that Community Board 12 Manhattan offers **No Objection** to this application.

Sincerely,

George Fernandez, Jr.

Chair

cc: Hon. Bill de Blasio, Mayor
Hon. Gale Brewer, Manhattan Borough President
Hon. Letitia James, Public Advocate
Hon. Charles Rangel, Congressman
Hon. Bill Perkins, State Senator
Hon. Adriano Espaillat, State Senator
Hon. Herman D. Farrell, Jr., Assembly Member
Hon. Gabriela Rosa, Assembly Member
Hon. Mark Levine, Council Member
Hon. Ydanis Rodriguez, Council Member