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Community Board No. 2, Manhattan

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Dana E. Christian, Director Licensing Issuance Division NY State Liquor Authority 317 Lenox Avenue New York, New York 10027

Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

1. A New Bill to Amend the NYS Alcoholic Beverage Control Act

Whereas, Senator Squadron introduced a new bill (S205) with Assembly Member Brian Kavanagh (A2064) to the New York State Legislature seeking to make the provisions governing liquor licenses consistent with respect to public interest factors; and

Whereas, the Bill is entitled "An Act to Amend the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law", in relation to making the provisions governing the various on-premises liquor licenses consistent with respect to public interest factors that may be considered by the New York State Liquor Authority ("SLA") when evaluating the merits of a license application", and

Whereas, the Bill can be found in full at http://open.nysenate.gov/legislation/bill/S205-2013; and

Whereas, this bill would make consistent the factors that shall be considered by the state Liquor Authority (SLA) when determining whether public convenience and advantage, and the public interest will be promoted by the granting of any of the on-premises liquor licenses provided for in Article 5 of the Alcoholic Beverage control (ABC) Law; and

Whereas, the bill would amend ABC Law §§ 64(6-a), 64-a, 64-b and 64-c to establish a consistent standard with respect to the factors that shall be considered by the SLA when determining whether the public interest will be promoted by the grant of a specific on-premises liquor license to a particular applicant; and

Whereas, ABC Law §§ 64(2-a) currently provides that Community Boards within the City of New York with jurisdiction over the area in which a licensed premises is to be located may express an opinion for or against a retail liquor license application, including renewals, and such an opinion will be deemed part of the record upon which the Liquor Board determines to grant or deny such license; and

Whereas, ABC Law §§ 64(6-a) currently sets forth certain factors that the SLA may consider when evaluating the merits of an application for an on-premises restaurant liquor license, including (a) the number, classes and character of licenses in proximity to the location and in the particular municipality or subdivision thereof. (b) Evidence that all necessary licenses and permits have been obtained from the state and all other governing bodies. (c) Effect of the grant of the license on vehicular traffic and parking in proximity to the location. (d) The existing noise level at the location and any increase in noise level that would be generated by the proposed premises. (e) The history of liquor violations and reported criminal activity at the proposed premises. (f) Any other factors specified by law or regulation that are relevant to determine the public convenience and advantage and public interest of the community; and

Whereas, current law as it relates to taverns, bottle clubs and restaurant brewers (ABC Law §§ 64-a, 64-b and 64-c) are unclear on whether or not the SLA can evaluate those same public interest factors; and

Whereas, this Bill would make clear and require the SLA to evaluate taverns, bottle clubs and restaurant brewers pursuant to the same above-stated public interest factors for reviewing liquor licenses as set in ABC Law §§ 64(6-a); and

Whereas, the Bill would require the SLA to accept or deny all retail liquor licenses based on the public interest factors already delineated and set for in ABC Law §§ 64(6-a); and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. fully supports the proposed changes to NYS Alcoholic Beverage Control Act as set forth in Senate Bill (S205-2013) and Assembly Bill (A2064) to the New York State Legislature making the provisions governing liquor licenses consistent with respect to public interest factors.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

2. Mendared LLC d/b/a LeSouk Harem, 510 LaGuardia Pl. 10012 (renewal of existing OP license)

Whereas, the applicant appeared before CB2's SLA committee; and,

Whereas, the applicant has operated a Moroccan Restaurant on three levels at 510 LaGuardia Place in a five-story mixed use building on the corner of Bleeker Street for many years with a full On Premises license; and

Whereas, CB#2, Man. has received written complaints regarding noise coming from the establishment and patrons exiting the establishment to cabs and/or cars late at night; and

Whereas, the area was posted but no one from the public appeared to address the renewal of this license and three members of the public did appear in support of the application; and

Whereas, the operators of restaurant agreed to close all doors and windows by 10:00 PM every night, agreed to replace all the windows in the establishment after going through Landmarks to better insulate the premises to the outside, and further agree to supply contact information to local neighbors to permit direct communication between the Owners, their Manager on a nightly basis so that further disruptions do not occur;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends <u>denial</u> of the On Premise to **Mendared LLC d/b/a LeSouk Harem <u>unless</u>** the statements of the applicant as presented to CB2 are accurate and complete, and that the above-stated and existing "Method of Operation" will continue on the On Premises License.

Vote: Passed, with 35 Board members in favor, and 3 recusals (C. Booth, T. Cude, S. Tyree).



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

3. Erjo Company LLC d/b/a Cafetal Social Club, 285 Mott St., 10012 (Existing BW License seeking alteration to add sidewalk cafe)

Whereas, the applicant appeared before CB2's SLA committee; and

Whereas, this application is for an alteration to an existing Beer/Wine license (#1266042, exp. 9/30/15) to add service at an existing sidewalk café at an Italian Restaurant located at 285 Mott Street between Prince and East Houston Streets in a 6 story mixed use building; and

Whereas, the interior premises is 600 SF and operates with a maximum occupancy of 25 with 9 tables and 19 seats; and

Whereas, the sidewalk café will operate with 6 tables and 12 seats and there will be no changes to the existing interior premises, exterior façade or method of operation; and

Whereas, the hours of operation will continue to be from 8 am to 11 pm Sunday through Thursday and from 8 am to 12 am on Fridays and Saturdays, music will be background only; and

Whereas, the applicant executed a stipulations agreement with CB#2, Man. that they agreed would be attached and incorporated in to their method of operation on their BW license and the stipulations are as follows:

- 1. Will make no changes to their existing method of operation other than adding service to a sidewalk café.
- 2. Will operate from 8 am to 11 pm Sunday through Thursday and 8 am to 12 am on Fridays and Saturdays.

3. Music will be quiet, background level inside restaurant only and there will be no live music, dj's, promoted events, scheduled performances or any events for which a cover fee is charged.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends <u>denial</u> of an Beer/Wine license to **Erjo Company LLC d/b/a Cafetal Social Club, 285 Mott St., 10012** <u>unless</u> the statements of the applicant as presented to CB2 are accurate and complete, and that those conditions and stipulations agreed to by the applicant relating to the above-stated stipulations are incorporated into the "Method of Operation" on the BW License.



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At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

4. Travertine LLC d/b/a Ken and Cook, 19 Kenmare St. (existing OP – seeking alteration to add service to sidewalk cafe)

Whereas, the applicant appeared before CB2's SLA committee; and

Whereas, the applicant is seeking to alter an existing OP license to add sidewalk café service (15 tables and 30 seats) for an existing 3,000 SF eating and drinking establishment with a basement/cellar located in a mixed use building on Kenmare Street between Bowery and Elizabeth Street; and

Whereas, the premises includes an open floor to ceiling retractable doorway that opens up onto the sidewalk and also, in the past, operated a second door that permits access for patrons directly to the basement premises; ansd

Whereas, the applicant has appeared before CB#2, Man. four times, the first time in August 2008 for the original application for the On Premise license for which a "denied unless" recommendation was submitted, a second time in January 2010 for an alteration to the original license for which a "Denial" recommendation was submitted and a third time in September 2011 for renewal of the existing license for which a second "Denial" recommendation was submitted; and

Whereas, during the applicants first appearance in August 2008 in which many members of the local community appeared in strong opposition, the applicant emphatically stated and provided supporting materials and descriptions that their establishment would be an upscale restaurant with full fine dining throughout the establishment, and that music would be background only and provided a signed list of stipulations that included "#4 the volume of music played at the Premises will not exceed background levels." Additionally other supporting materials specifically stated that "Travertine will be an

unforgettable dining experience, offering imaginative, fresh and wholesome cuisine in a luxurious atmosphere" and "Travertine will accommodate 67 diners on the ground floor and 40-50 casual diners on the lower level" and "Travertine will offer a tranquil, inviting atmosphere day and night" and "will cater to a mature clientele that appreciates sophisticated detailing and atmosphere", attracting "customers who typically work longer hours and have few options for quality, late night dining in a non-bar scene" and was "specifically designed to avoid a loud, party atmosphere."; and

Whereas, during the applicants second appearance in January 2010, the applicant reappeared after having only been operating for only 4-5 months and requested later operating hours from what was previously requested and applied for and on its CB2, Man. Liquor License questionnaire, the applicant checked that the location was a restaurant and that music was background only and did not check off that they operated with a DJ; and

Whereas, neighbors also appeared in January 2010 to complain about noise and music coming from the establishment and at that time, the applicant conceded that a DJ was being used at the establishment in violation of its existing method of operation for which CB2 Man. recommended a denial of the alteration; and

Whereas, despite CB2 Man. recommendation for denial of the alteration, the SLA granted the alteration request seeking later hours and until 4am seven days a week; and

Whereas, upon renewal in September/2011 neighbors again appeared before CB2 Man. and explained that the applicant had been operating and advertising the lower level establishment under a different name than the upstairs level, operating as "XIX" an illegal cabaret with DJ, entertainment level music, dancing, limited to no food service as a required for a restaurant and the applicant had not yet obtained a proper certificate of occupancy for the location since the temporary certificate of occupancy expired on June 14, 2010, and a request for a Letter of No Objection was denied by the NYC DOB in February 2009.

Whereas, in its September/2011 resolution CB#2, Man. respectfully requested that the applicants current method of operation and establishment be reviewed in detail by the SLA to ensure that they are not in violation of any ABC laws or the Rules of the State Liquor Authority; and,

Whereas, on New Year's Eve 2011, a patron was attacked and severely beaten outside the basement entrance to the premises; and

Whereas, despite CB2 Man.'s repeated recommendations for a denial of the existing OP license at this location, the applicant continued to operate a second nightlife business in the basement premises with a separate doorway called "Lil Charlie's", that neighbors also brought photos of the establishment from the summer/2013 demonstrating operations on the sidewalk late at night, which included a neon sign, red carpet, with crowd control red ropes and stanchions leading into Lil Charlie's doorway directly to the basement, where a DJ, disco ball and dance floor existed, the ceiling height retractable door open from the interior of the premises to the public sidewalk; and

Whereas, on the evening of September 20, 2013 a patron at Lil Charlie's night club suffered broken ribs in an alleged assault by an employee; and

Whereas, in March 2014 the applicant paid fines issued by the NY State Liquor Authority ("SLA') for some of its prior transgressions and further agreed with the SLA to no longer operate the basement premises as a second business with a second entrance, to incorporate the basement premises into its

first floor restaurant, by no longer providing bottle service in the basement premises, by closing at 2am instead of 4am seven days per week and by stating that two of the three owners would no longer play an active role in the operation of the premises; and

Whereas, a number of neighbors again appeared in opposition to this establishment reciting many of the long standing problems with these premises, including traffic, noise, public intoxication and environmental hazards already existing and negatively impacting the area for many years; and

Whereas, while the applicant has only recently paid fines with the SLA and agreed not to operate as a nightclub in the basement premises and to operate the entire premises as a full service restaurant into the future, this current agreement is really no concession at all but rather only a closer representation to how the applicant initially stated the business would be operated in 2008 when it first appeared before CB#2, Man., at which time the applicant misrepresented its method of operation and made material omissions relating to its hidden intent to operate the basement premises as a night club with a separate entrance; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends <u>denial</u> for **Travertine LLC d/b/a Ken and Cook, 19 Kenmare St.** on its application seeking an alteration to its existing OP license to add service to a sidewalk café (15 tables and 30 seats).



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

5. The Princess and The Frog Flavors Corp., d/b/a The Frogs Crown, 204 Spring St., 10012 (new beer and wine – previously licensed location)

Whereas, the applicant appeared before CB2 Manhattan's SLA Licensing Committee for a beer and wine license in a seven story mixed use building at 204 Spring Street between Sullivan and Street and Sixth Avenue; and

Whereas, the premises have been operated for a last two years by the current operator as a small cafe; and

Whereas, the total licensed premises is 300 SF with 6 tables and 12 seats, no bars for a total patron occupancy of 12, there will be no TVs, with background music only, does not operate a sidewalk café or outdoor garden and there are no French doors or windows; and

Whereas, the applicant will continue to operate from 8 am to 12 am seven days a week; and

Whereas, the applicant executed a stipulations agreement with CB#2, Man. that they agreed would be attached and incorporated in to their method of operation on their BW license and the stipulations are as follows:

- 1. Will make no changes to their existing method of operation other than adding BW service to the café.
- 2. Will never request to upgrade to an on premise liquor license.
- 3. Will operate from 8 am to 12 am daily seven days a week.
- 4. There will be no TVs.

- 5. There will be no French doors or windows.
- 6. Music will be quiet, background level inside restaurant only and there will be no live music, dj's, promoted events, scheduled performances or any events for which a cover fee is charged.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends <u>denial</u> of an Beer/Wine license to **The Princess and The Frog Flavors Corp.**, d/b/a **The Frogs Crown**, 204 Spring St., 10012 10012 <u>unless</u> the statements of the applicant as presented to CB2 are accurate and complete, and that those conditions and stipulations agreed to by the applicant relating to the above-stated stipulations are incorporated into the "Method of Operation" on the BW License.



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At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

6. Donostia Bakery LLC d/b/a Home Sweet Home, 341 West Broadway, 10013 (new beer and wine – previously licensed location)

Whereas, the applicant appeared before CB2 Manhattan's SLA Licensing Committee for a beer and wine license in a two story mixed use building at 341 West Broadway between Watts and Grand Streets; and

Whereas, the premises will be operated as a family style restaurant specializing in pastries, food and coffee from the Basque Region of Spain; and

Whereas, the total licensed premises is 1500 SF with a small mezzanine and 340 SF upstairs kitchen, 18 tables and 52 seats, 1 bar with 5 seats and 10 additional seats from a sofa and bench, for a total number of seats of 67 occupancy of 12, there will be no TVs, with background music only, there is no sidewalk café or outdoor garden and they will not install French doors or windows; and

Whereas, the applicant will operate from 8 am to 9 pm Monday through Friday and from 8 am through 10:30 pm on Saturdays and Sundays; and

Whereas, the applicant executed a stipulations agreement with CB#2, Man. that they agreed would be attached and incorporated in to their method of operation on their BW license and the stipulations are as follows:

- 1. Premises will be advertised as a family restaurant specializing in pastries, food and coffee from the Basque Region of Spain.
- 2. Will never request to upgrade to an on premise liquor license.

- 3. Will operate from 8 am to 11 pm daily seven days a week.
- 4. There will be no TVs.
- 5. Will not install French doors or windows.
- 6. Will close all doors and windows by 9 pm every night.
- 7. Music will be quiet, background level inside restaurant only and there will be no live music, dj's, promoted events, scheduled performances or any events for which a cover fee is charged.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends <u>denial</u> of an Beer/Wine license to **Donostia Bakery LLC d/b/a Home Sweet Home, 341 West Broadway, 10013** <u>unless</u> the statements of the applicant as presented to CB2 are accurate and complete, and that those conditions and stipulations agreed to by the applicant relating to the above-stated stipulations are incorporated into the "Method of Operation" on the BW License.



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At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

7. HSP Partners LLC -The Cleveland Restaurant, 25 Cleveland Pl., 10012 (existing Beer Wine license seeking upgrade to a Full On Premises license)

Whereas, the applicant appeared before CB2's SLA committee; and

Whereas, this application is for the upgrade from the Beer and Wine license (#1266269) to a full On Premise license in a mixed-use building located on Cleveland Place between Spring and Kenmare Streets with a 1000 SF interior with 17 tables and 38 seats and 1 bar with 4 seats; and

Whereas, the leased premises also includes a 1300 SF exterior backyard which the applicant used since 2012 for eating, drinking and live music but which was never permitted and when the applicant applied to change the certificate of occupancy to permit eating and drinking in the rear yard, the use was disapproved by the NYC Dept. of Buildings (Bin #1066729); and

Whereas, the hours of operation for the Mediterranean style Restaurant are from 9 am to Midnight seven days a week; and

Whereas, this is the second time that the applicant has appeared before CB#2, Man. for an upgrade to a full OP license, the first being in May 2013 after which CB#2, Man. recommended to deny the upgrade based on the illegal use of the back yard and the agreement by the applicant back in June 2012 to obtain all the requisite permitting and licensing necessary to operate the rear yard for eating and drinking; and

Whereas, this applicant has not demonstrated a positive track record of responsible management knowing that there were adjacent residential neighbors affected and disrupted by the noise and misuse of the back yard premises over the last two years; and

Whereas, five community members spoke out against this application and multiple letters from neighbors, the Friends of Petrosino Square and a Condo Bd. from 225 Lafayette Street were received in opposition to this application; and

Whereas, there are already seven On Premise liquor licenses surrounding Petrosino Square and the area is already overwhelmed by high volumes of pedestrian and vehicle traffic, noise, public intoxication and environmental hazards negatively impacting the area for many years;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends <u>denial</u> for HSP Partners LLC - **The Cleveland Restaurant, 25 Cleveland Pl., 10012** on its application seeking an alteration to its existing BW license to upgrade to a full On Premise; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if this application is approved by the SLA, despite CB2, Manhattan's recommendation to deny this application, CB#2, Man. requests that the SLA conduct a 500 foot hearing because the storefront premises sought to be combined with the existing license has never been licensed for the service of alcohol at any point in the past.



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At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

8. IM Broadway, LLC d/b/a II Mulino Prime, 53 Grand St. aka 331 West Broadway 10013 (transfer of existing OP license—#1263695 Exp. 7/31/14—Angelo Food Concepts LLC d/b/a TBAR Soho)

Whereas, the applicant appeared before CB2 Manhattan's SLA Licensing Committee for a transfer of existing OP license—#1263695 Exp. 7/31/14 Angelo Food Concepts LLC d/b/a TBAR Soho— to operate a high-end steak house restaurant in a five story mixed use building at 331 West Broadway located at the corner of West Broadway and Grand Street; and

Whereas, the operators/applicants plan to operate a high-end steak house restaurant at this location using the same name and concept as is currently being operated in multiple locations in Manhattan and Queens and had no plans to deviate from that same restaurant based concept as exists in the other operations; and

Whereas, the operators/applicants have no plans to alter or modify the existing interior premises by renovation but plans to change the existing signage to reflect the "Prime Il Mulino" brand; and

Whereas, the total licensed premises a 1200 SF first floor with basement that is not used for eating or drinking, there are 14 tables and 48 seats, 1 bar with 7 seats for a total number of seats of 55, there will be 1 TV, with background (quiet) music only, there is no sidewalk café or outdoor garden and they will not install French doors or windows; and

Whereas, the applicant will operate from 11 am to 1 am seven days a week; and

Whereas, the applicant executed a stipulations agreement with CB2 Man. that they agreed would be attached and incorporated in to their method of operation on their OP license and the stipulations are as follows:

- 1. Premises will be advertised as a high-end steak house restaurant.
- 2. Will not operate a sidewalk café or outdoor garden.
- 3. Will operate daily from 11 am to 1 am seven days a week.
- 4. There will only be 1 TV.
- 5. Will not install French doors or windows.
- 6. Will close all doors and windows by 9 pm every night.
- 7. Music will be quiet, background level inside restaurant only and there will be no live music, dj's, promoted events, scheduled performances or any events for which a cover fee is charged.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends <u>denial</u> of a transfer of a full On Premises license to **IM Broadway**, **LLC d/b/a II Mulino Prime**, **53 Grand St. aka 331 West Broadway 10013** <u>unless</u> the statements of the applicant as presented to CB2 are accurate and complete, and that those conditions and stipulations agreed to by the applicant relating to the abovestated stipulations are incorporated into the "Method of Operation" on the OP License.



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At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

THE FOLLOWING ARE RESOLUTIONS FOR ALL APPLICANTS THAT WERE LAID OVER, WITHDRAWN, OR DID NOT APPEAR BEFORE THEIR REQESTED HEARING:

9. Sweet 101 LLC, d/b/a Baby Grand, 161 Lafayette St., 10013

Whereas, prior to this month's CB2 SLA Licensing Committee meeting on April 8, 2014, the applicant's attorney requested to lay over or withdraw this application from consideration until an application and all necessary paperwork was ready for review; and,

Whereas, this application is for a corporate change or "transfer" of the existing On-Premise liquor license;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends that the SLA <u>deny</u> any proposed alteration, corporate change or "transfer to the Beer and Wine or On Premise license for **Sweet 101 LLC, d/b/a Baby Grand, 161 Lafayette St., 10013** until the applicant has presented their application in front of CB2's SLA Licensing Committee and CB2 has forwarded a recommendation to the SLA and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB2, should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.



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At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

10. Soho Grand Hotel, 310 W. Broadway, 10013 (previously sent)

Whereas, prior to this month's CB2 SLA Licensing Committee meeting on April 8, 2014, the applicant's attorney requested to lay over or withdraw this application from consideration until an application and all necessary paperwork was ready for review; and,

Whereas, this application is for an alteration to an existing On-Premise liquor license to extend the premises to an outdoor area for seasonal use as a new Bar;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends that the SLA <u>deny</u> any proposed alteration, corporate change or "transfer to the Beer and Wine or On Premise license for **Soho Grand Hotel, 310 W. Broadway, 10013** until the applicant has presented their application in front of CB2's SLA Licensing Committee and CB2 has forwarded a recommendation to the SLA and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB2, should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.



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At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

11. 316 Bowery LLC. d/b/a Saxon and Parole, 316 Bowery, 10012

Whereas, prior to this month's CB2 SLA Licensing Committee meeting on April 8, 2014, the applicant's attorney requested to lay over or withdraw this application from consideration until an application and all necessary paperwork was ready for review; and,

Whereas, this application is for an alteration to an existing On-Premise liquor license;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends that the SLA <u>deny</u> any proposed alteration, corporate change or transfer of the Beer and Wine or On Premise license for **316 Bowery LLC. d/b/a Saxon and Parole, 316 Bowery, 10012** until the applicant has presented their application in front of CB2's SLA Licensing Committee and CB2 has forwarded a recommendation to the SLA and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB2, should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard; and,



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

12. Shrinathikrupa LLC d/b/a Iconic Café, 238 Lafayette St. 10012

Whereas, prior to this month's CB2 SLA Licensing Committee meeting on April 8, 2014, the applicant's attorney requested to lay over or withdraw this application from consideration until an application and all necessary paperwork was ready for review; and,

Whereas, this application is for a beer and wine license;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends that the SLA <u>deny</u> any proposed alteration, corporate change or transfer of the Beer and Wine or On Premise license for **Shrinathikrupa LLC d/b/a Iconic Café, 238 Lafayette St. 10012** until the applicant has presented their application in front of CB2's SLA Licensing Committee and CB2 has forwarded a recommendation to the SLA and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB2, should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard; and,



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

13. Forks & Parrot, LLC d/b/a Anyway Cafe, 517-519 Broome St. 10013

Whereas, after this month's CB2 SLA Licensing Committee meeting on April 8, 2014, the applicant requested to lay over or withdraw this application from consideration until an application and all necessary paperwork was ready for review; and,

Whereas, this application is for a new On Premises license in a previously unlicensed location;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends that the SLA <u>deny</u> any On Premise license for **Forks & Parrot, LLC d/b/a Anyway Cafe, 517-519 Broome St. 10013** until the applicant has fully presented their application in front of CB2's SLA Licensing Committee and CB2 has forwarded a recommendation to the SLA and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB2, should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

14. LDV Hospitality, d/b/a The Regent Cocktail Club, 17 Thompson St. 10013

Whereas, prior to this month's CB2 SLA Licensing Committee meeting on April 8, 2014, the applicant's attorney requested to lay over or withdraw this application from consideration until an application and all necessary paperwork was ready for review; and,

Whereas, this application is for a new On-Premise license;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends that the SLA <u>deny</u> any proposed alteration to the Beer and Wine or On Premise license to **LDV Hospitality**, d/b/a The **Regent Cocktail Club**, 17 Thompson St. 10013 until the applicant has presented their application in front of CB2's SLA Licensing Committee and CB2 has forwarded a recommendation to the SLA and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB2, should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

15. RSNYC LLC d/b/a Griffin, 50 Gansevoort St., 10014

Whereas, during this month's CB2 SLA Licensing Committee meeting on April 9, 2014, the principal requested to lay over this application from consideration until an application and all necessary paperwork was ready for review; and,

Whereas, this application is for a new On-Premise liquor license;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends that the SLA <u>deny</u> any proposed alteration to the Beer and Wine or On Premise license to **RSNYC LLC d/b/a Griffin, 50 Gansevoort St., 10014** until the applicant has presented their application in front of CB2's SLA Licensing Committee and CB2 has forwarded a recommendation to the SLA and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB2, should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

16. 296 Sandwich LLC d/b/a Bleecker Heights Tavern, 296 Bleecker St., 10014 (OP Renewal SN# 1200891)

Whereas, the Licensee and the Licensee's attorney appeared before CB2 Manhattan's SLA Licensing committee on April 10th, 2014 after having been requested to appear by CB2, Man., at the behest of the local community, in regards to the upcoming renewal of the on-premise liquor license SLA Serial Number 1200891 for 296 Sandwich LLC d/b/a Bleecker Heights Tavern located at 296 Bleecker St; and

Whereas, several people appeared in opposition and CB#2, Man. received a number of letters indicating that there was concern as a result of press reports that there was a "major alteration" to the existing liquor license that had occurred as a result of a change in ownership and the letters highlighted issues relating to the corporate entity "296 Sandwich LLC" violating stipulations entered into with the Liquor Authority and on file with the Liquor Authority at the inception of this license in 2010 which was approved over the objections of CB#2, Man. with stipulations entered into with the Liquor Authority, specifically, the complaints were that (1) the door on Barrow street, a predominantly residential street was stipulated to only be used for deliveries but has been used for patron ingress and egress (violation of original stipulation #6); (2) there are two entities, Bleecker Heights Tavern and Five Guvs Burger who share the licensed premises through some sort of agreement but both businesses are operated separately and the trash from the sub-lessee Five Guys Burger is placed outside in violation of the stipulations agreement on file with the Liquor Authority in an unacceptable fashion by not utilizing double bagging (violation of original stipulation #4); (3) there are no security guards outside the front door at the main entrance on Bleecker St on Fridays and Saturdays (violation of original stipulation #9); (4) Grease fumes and other odors continue to emanate from the premises ventilation system despite promises to correct this in 2010 because an appropriate ventilation system with some type of "scrubber" was never installed (violation of original stipulation # 12)

(5) A resident has states she has observed drug use by patrons and staff and has observed drug sales in the past by staff members outside the premises; and,

Whereas, the original stipulations agreement entered into with the New York State Liquor Authority as a condition of the existing liquor license as presented to the Authority by the Licensee's attorney Terrance Flynn and read into the record on March 31, 2010 are as follows:

STIPULATION

296 Sandwich LLC, by its principals, as a condition to approval of its On Premise Liquor License application by the NYS Liquor Authority do agree as follows:

1. The applicant will provide a contact number to the principal to be used at all times.

2. That a principal or designated manager with Authority will be present during all hours of operation.

3. That the applicant will use a reasonable carting company for the removal of trash from the premise. All trash from the premise will be picked up by the carting company.

4. The applicant will use only heavy-duty contractor bags (3mil to 6 mil) for all trash & garbage. All 3 mil bags will be double bagged.

5. The applicant will have outside the premises swept each morning from building line on Barrow Street to building line on Bleecker Street.

6. The doors on Barrow Street will not be open, with the exception of deliveries.

7. The doors on Barrow Street will be closed at all other times; there will be no use of chocks or other method of holding the doors open. Both doors will have the automatic closure mechanism repaired and operable.

8. The applicant will post signage outside the premise requesting the customers be considerate of the neighbors and to limit all noise outside the premise.

9. Security will be used on the front door Friday and Saturday evenings from 6pm to closing and on holidays and for major events. Security will wear distinguishing clothing clearly identifying them as security. They will also be licensed by the State of New York.

10. The windows will be closed during hours were there is noise and in no event will they be open later than 10 pm.

11. Food will be available during all hours of operation.

12. The applicant will take effective steps to minimize or eliminate grease fumes and other odors emanating from its ventilating/exhaust system, such as by rerouting ducts and/or installing filters. The applicant will get an expert in to determine whether the exhaust stack will need to change the direction it opens or whether filters must be installed to reduce emissions. This will be done within thirty days and remedial work will be taken promptly thereafter.

13. The applicant will operate the premises from 9:00 am in the morning to 1:00 am Sunday through Thursday and 9:00 am to 2:00am Friday and Saturday.

14. The applicant will post this stipulation where it is accessible to all employees.

15. Applicant agrees to have a sound technician evaluate the work required to "Soundproof" the west wall of the second floor of the premise. The evaluation will be done within the next 21 days and the work required by the evaluation will commence within 14 days thereafter.

These stipulations are made by the applicant knowing that the NYS Liquor Authority is relying on their truth in the granting of the application for an On Premise Liquor license.

296 Sandwich LLC

Whereas, the attorney explained that there are no changes in the method of operation as originally approved, but that there had been a change in the make up of the existing principals resulting in a non-substantial corporate change and some slight changes in the manner in which the business would be run which resulted in closing for a short period of time, but the result was that absentee management had been replaced with new principals who are taking an active role in managing the premises consistent with the original "method of operation" and stipulations; and

Whereas, the applicant's attorney stressed that all existing stipulations would be adhered to and any deviation by the Five Guys Burger portion of the licensed premises would be corrected; that a new HVAC system was being installed that should correct the ventilation issues that were described by neighbors; that security is not visibly present from the street because no alcohol is served on the ground floor of the premises, only on the second floor, so security is stationed at the foot of the stairs to the second floor to properly ID all patrons of the second floor and that procedures are in place so that no alcohol is allowed to be brought to the ground floor from the second floor; that efforts would be made to address and adhere to stipulations in regards to trash refuse placed on the curb; that the door on Barrow St. would absolutely not be used for Patrons; he also stated that any statements as they related to drug use or dealing by staff outside the premises on Barrow St. were unfounded and that management would certainly look into any complaints going forward or any specific allegations involving any staff; and

Whereas, CB#2, Man. was unsatisfied with responses as they related to venting issues and grease fumes, noting that venting issues were supposed to have been resolved within 30 Days of the original issuance of the license in 2010 and that both Five Guys Burgers and Bleecker Heights Tavern which are co-located within the licensed premises are in violation of the approved stipulations by using separate carting companies when it seems the stipulations indicate only one carting company should be used; and,

Whereas, the licensee, as a result of this meeting with CB#2, Man. indicated that they would enter into an additional stipulations agreement with CB#2, Man. in addition to the original stipulations agreement with the Liquor Authority and stated they agreed that these stipulations would become a condition of their license and added to their existing "method of operation"; the additional stipulations, some of which are redundant to indicate good faith to the original stipulations are as follows:

- 1. The premises will be advertised and operated as a tavern.
- 2. The hours of operation will be Sunday from 2 pm to 1 am, Monday to Wednesday from 5 pm to 1 am, Thursday and Friday from 5 pm to 2 am and Saturday from 2 pm to 2 am.
- 3. There will be no rear yard or outdoor space or rooftop.
- 4. There will be a doorman/security Friday and Saturday from 6pm to closing.
- 5. All doors and windows will be closed by 10 pm except for ingress and egress; no doors will remain propped open after 10 pm.
- 6. There will be no DJ's, live music, promoted events, any events for which a cover fee is charged, and there will be no scheduled performances.
- 7. The Licensee will continue to abide by existing stipulations on file with the Liquor Authority from the original license hearing before the Full Board of the Liquor Authority.
- 8. The Licensee will not use the existing door on Barrow Street except for deliveries; the door will not remain propped open.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends <u>denial</u> of the renewal of the existing on-premise liquor license for **296 Sandwich LLC d/b/a Bleecker Heights Tavern, 296 Bleecker St., 10014 (SN# 1200891)** <u>unless</u> the statements the Licensee has presented are accurate and complete, and that those conditions and stipulations agreed to by the applicant relating to the 7th "whereas" clause above are incorporated into the "Method of Operation" on the existing on-premise restaurant liquor license SN#1239038.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

17. Pasta & Potatoes, Inc. d/b/a Village Lantern, 167 Bleecker St. 10012 (renewal of existing OP SN#1024128)

Whereas, at the request of members of the community, Pasta & Potatoes, Inc. d/b/a Village Lantern, 167 Bleecker St. 10012 was requested to appear before CB#2, Man. to address issues related to the renewal of their on premise liquor license; and

Whereas, despite being notified by CB#2, Man. to appear in order to address issues, including direct communication to family members of the principal who recently identified themselves as integral to the management and operation of this location, no one appeared; and

Whereas, based on previous testimony and members of the community who appeared and sent correspondence and observation by members of the Committee the following complaints were noted:

- 1. Entertainment level music and noise emanating from the premises on some late afternoon and early evening hours from DJ's, Live Music or Sports Programming on 10 TV's in violation of NYC Noise Code Laws and Ordinances, particularly on weekends and also particularly in warm weather months because the large accordion doors which front the premises remain open.
- 2. Contrary to existing stipulations, the large accordion doors and windows which front the premises are not closed at 11 pm on a regular basis resulting in entertainment level music and noise emanating from the premises from DJ's, Live Music or Sports Programming on 10 TV's in violation of NYC Noise Code Laws and Ordinances after 11 pm, particularly on weekends in violation of NYC Noise Code Laws and Ordinances and also particularly in warm weather months.

- 3. The Licensee appears to regularly violate Department of Buildings and other codes as they relate to Occupancy in excess of 74 persons resulting in unsafe conditions, which may be a threat to public safety, particularly on weekends.
- 4. The Licensee does not possess a Place of Assembly Permit allowing occupancy above 74 persons but the Licensee allows more than 74 persons into the premises on many weekend evenings.
- 5. The Licensee operates an illegal comedy club in the basement and the comedy club is advertised online and by "barkers" on the street steering customers into the basement, which is contrary to approved uses by the NYC Buildings Department in that patron occupancy is not legally allowed in the basement.
- 6. The Licensee has an unauthorized bar and illegally serves liquor to patrons and allows patrons to consume alcohol in the basement of the premises.
- 7. The Licensee has illegally extended their licensed premises into the basement and added an additional standup bar without filing the proper documentation or notice with CB#2, Man. or the Liquor Authority.

Whereas, this licensee has a long documented history of quality of life complaints with CB2 which the Licensee has promised to resolve repeatedly in the past and the 6th Precinct has documentation of many quality of life violations in the immediate vicinity; and,

Whereas, CB#2, Man. requests that the Liquor Authority investigate the above noted complaints prior to issuing a renewal of the existing on-premise liquor license in particular the unlicensed operation of an additional bar in the basement and use of the basement and the threat to public safety these uses may create;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends <u>denial</u> of the renewal of the onpremise liquor license, SN#1024128 for **Pasta & Potatoes, Inc. d/b/a Village Lantern, 167 Bleecker St. 10012.**



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

18. Bistro Shop Downtown, LLC d/b/a Lyon (Cole's Greenwich Village), 118 Greenwich Ave. aka 234 W. 13th St. 10011 (Corporate Change, Name Change existing SN#1239038)

Whereas, the applicant appeared before Community Board 2, Manhattan's SLA Licensing committee to present an application to the Liquor Authority for a "corporate change" for an "American" restaurant to remove one principal, Francois Jean Louis Latapie, resulting in only one principal, Penny Bradley and to change the trade name from "Lyon" to "Cole's Greenwich Village" which it has been using as a d/b/a for over a year and to remove the sidewalk café from the licensed premises; and

Whereas, this application is for an existing on-premise restaurant liquor license for a corporate change; the premises is in a mixed residential/commercial building in a mixed residential/commercial district located on the ground floor on Greenwich Ave between 7th and 8th Avenues for a roughly 2,500 sq. ft. premise (1,250 sq. ft. ground floor and 1,250 sq. ft. basement - accessory use only and restrooms) with 23 tables and 70 table seats and 1 bar with 22 seats for a total of 92 seats; there is no longer a sidewalk café and there is no DCA Sidewalk Café License; there are no other outdoor seating areas and there is an existing Certificate of Occupancy for 110 persons; and,

Whereas, the hours of operation are from 10 am to 2 am 7 days a week, there is no longer a Sidewalk café included in this premises, all doors and windows will be closed by 9 pm daily, music will be quiet background only consisting of music from ipod/cd's (i.e. no active manipulation of music – only passive prearranged music), there will be no d.j., no promoted events, no private parties, no scheduled performances or cover fees, no velvet ropes, no movable barriers; and,

Whereas, the applicant executed a stipulations agreement with CB#2, Man. that they agreed would be attached and incorporated in to the method of operation on their existing on-premises restaurant liquor license SLA license at the time of the "corporate change" stating that:

- 1. The premises will be operated and advertised as an "American" restaurant.
- 2. The hours of operation will be from 10 am to 2 am 7 days a week.
- 3. There is no rear yard or backyard garden.
- 4. All doors and windows will be closed at 9 pm every night without exception. After 9 pm no doors will be propped open and will be for ingress and egress only.
- 5. There will be no DJ's, live music, promoted events, any events for which a cover fee is charged, and there will be no scheduled performances.
- 6. There will be one television only.
- 7. The mapped area of the premises for alcohol service will no longer include any outdoor areas; specifically the previously existing sidewalk café as the licensee no longer holds a NYC DCA Sidewalk Café license.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends <u>denial</u> of a corporate change to the existing on-premise restaurant liquor license for **Bistro Shop Downtown**, LLC d/b/a Lyon (Cole's Greenwich Village), 118 Greenwich Ave. aka 234 W. 13th St. 10011 (SN#1239038) <u>unless</u> the statements the applicant has presented are accurate and complete, and that those conditions and stipulations agreed to by the applicant relating to the 4th "whereas" clause above are incorporated into the "Method of Operation" on the existing on-premise restaurant liquor license SN#1239038.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

19. Cornelia Street Group, Inc. d/b/a Murray's Cheese Shop, 254 Bleecker St., 10014 (Class Change-from eating place beer to RW and interior alteration, existing SN#1263048)

Whereas, the applicant appeared before Community Board 2, Manhattan's SLA Licensing committee to present an "upgrade" application to the Liquor Authority from an "eating place beer" license to a Restaurant Wine License for a specialty food & cheese shop and an alteration to add daytime seating and an event/classroom space in the mezzanine area; and,

Whereas, this application is for an upgrade to a Restaurant Wine License in a current licensed location; premises is in a mixed use residential/commercial building in a mixed use commercial/residential district located on the ground floor, basement and mezzanine on Bleecker St. between Leroy St and Morton St for a roughly 8,100 sq. ft. premise (3,300 sq. ft. basement accessory use only, 3,000 sq. ft. ground floor and 1,800 sq. ft. mezzanine); the premises will now have 5 tables and 12 seats, one service bar and 3 counter seats for a total of 15 seats for daytime use; for event/classroom use there will be two rooms located in the mezzanine with a total of 12 tables and 48 seats equally divided between each room; there is no sidewalk café; there are no other outdoor seating areas; there is an existing certificate of occupancy; and,

Whereas, the hours of operation will be Monday to Saturday from 9 am to 8 pm and Sunday from 10 am to 7 pm, there is no Sidewalk café included in this application, all doors and windows will be closed at all times except for ingress and egress, music will be quiet background only consisting of music from ipod/cd's (i.e. no active manipulation of music – only passive prearranged music), there will be no d.j., no promoted events, no private parties, no velvet ropes, no movable barriers; and,

Whereas, the applicant executed a stipulations agreement with CB#2, Man. that they agreed would be attached and incorporated in to the method of operation on the new restaurant wine SLA license stating that:

- 1. The premises will be operated and advertised as a specialty food & cheese shop.
- 2. The hours of operation will be Monday to Saturday from 9 am to 8 pm and Sunday from 10 am to 7 pm.
- 3. There is no backyard garden
- 4. All doors and windows will remain closed at all times except for ingress and egress.
- 5. There will be no French Doors or French Windows.
- 6. There will be no DJ's, live music, promoted events, any events for which a cover fee is charged, and there will be no scheduled performances.
- 7. There will be invitational only educational events pertaining to specialty food and cheese shop.

Whereas, the applicant conducted community outreach and a petition was provided to CB2 Manhattan with numerous signatures and a letter from the local Block Association was provided also in support;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends <u>denial</u> of an upgrade from an existing eating place beer license to a new restaurant wine license for **Cornelia Street Group, Inc. d/b/a Murray's Cheese Shop, 254 Bleecker St., 10014 (existing SN#1263048)** <u>unless</u> the statements the applicant has presented are accurate and complete, and that those conditions and stipulations agreed to by the applicant relating to the 4th "whereas" clause above are incorporated into the "Method of Operation" on the SLA Restaurant Wine license.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

20. Rustic Table LLC, d/b/a The Quarter, 522 Hudson St., 10014 (change of class from RW to OP)

Whereas, the applicant appeared before Community Board 2, Manhattan's SLA Licensing committee to present an application to the Liquor Authority for an upgrade from a Restaurant Wine License (SN#1266110) to an On-Premises Restaurant Liquor License for a "Mediterranean/New American style restaurant operated by owners"; and

Whereas, this application is for an upgrade from an existing Restaurant Wine License to an On Premise Restaurant Liquor License in a currently operating location; the premises is in a 5 story mixed use residential/commercial building in a mixed use commercial/residential district located on the ground floor on the North East corner of Hudson St. and West 10th Street occupying two recently joined storefronts located in the same building for a roughly 1,300 sq. ft. premise on the ground floor only with 21 tables and 52 seats and one bar with 10 seats for a total of 62 interior seats; a sidewalk café with 16 tables and 32 seats; for a grand total of 94 seats throughout the interior and exterior of the premises; there are no other outdoor seating areas and there is a Certificate of Occupancy; and

Whereas, as a result of discussions with CB2's SLA Licensing Committee, the applicant modified the hours of operation on two evenings by reducing the closing time one hour but was unwilling to accept all recommendations and the resulting changes that where presented are that the proposed hours of operation would be Sunday to Wednesday from 11 am to 12 am, Thursday to Friday from 11 am to 1 am and Saturday from 11 am to 2 am; music would be quiet background only; that the hour of operation of the sidewalk café would end at 11 pm Sunday to Thursday and end at 12 am Friday and Saturday; all doors and windows would be closed at 9 pm every night; that there would be no French

doors or French Windows; there will be no dj's, live music, promoted events, any events for which a cover fee is charged or scheduled performances and that the door located on the corner of Hudson and West 10th St. would be used for emergency egress only; and,

Whereas, the applicant also willing entered into and executed a stipulations agreement with what they stated they would present to the Liquor Authority despite statements that CB#2, Man. might not recommend approval of their application but nevertheless they agreed that they would be attached and incorporated in to the method of operation on the new on premises restaurant liquor license (as they are substantially similar to existing stipulations for the existing RW license) stating that:

- 1. The premises will be advertised and operated as a Mediterranean/New American Restaurant.
- 2. The hours of operation on the interior will be Sunday to Wednesday from 11 am to 12 am, Thursday to Friday from 11 am to 1 am and Saturday from 11 am to 2 am. No patrons will remain in the premises past closing time.
- 3. The hours of operation of the sidewalk café will terminate at 11 pm Sunday to Thursday and 12 am Friday and Saturday. At closing, the sidewalk café will be closed and no patrons will remain in the sidewalk café.
- 4. The kitchen shall remain open and food available at all times until closing the Restaurant.
- 5. There will be no rear yard garden.
- 6. All doors and windows will be closed no later than 9 pm daily except for ingress and egress. Doors will not remain propped open after 9 pm.
- 7. There will be no French doors or French windows.
- 8. There will be no dj's, no live music, no promoted events, no events for which cover fees are charged, no scheduled performances.
- 9. The awning over the sidewalk café will be extended at all times the sidewalk café remains open
- 10. Music will be quiet background only.
- 11. The licensee will post hours of operation visibly in the window of the establishment.
- 12. The door on the corner of Hudson St and West 10th St will remain closed at all times except for emergency patron egress (no ingress, emergency egress only). Licensee may install emergency push door style lock to demonstrate compliance.

Whereas, the applicant conducted community outreach and presented a petition and a number of letters in support from the community; the petitions and letters of support failed to mention the hours of operation or any detailed information as to the style of operation; and,

Whereas, in <u>September 2012</u> the Licensee first approached CB#2, Man. with an application to the SLA for a Restaurant Wine License for only the northern portion of the current premises (the southern portion was a clothing retail store) for which <u>CB#2</u>, <u>Man. recommended denial but which was ultimately approved by the SLA as this was not subject to the 500 ft rule;</u> there was considerable concern that the operation with hours of operation until 2 am Thursday to Saturday, small plate menu, the hours of the chef ending at 10 pm would create additional quality of life concerns and noise in the late evening/early morning hours because the location would not be operated as a restaurant in the later evening hours, the previous restaurant at this location closed by midnight 7 days a week and that the majority of sit down full service restaurants in the area, particularly those which have recently opened (the competition) all close by midnight with a few open slightly later until 1 am; any "restaurants" with later hours in the area primarily serve as taverns later in the evenings and have operated in this fashion for many many years and are the primary contributors to late night quality of life concerns, noise, traffic and other issues; and

Whereas, in July 2013 the Licensee returned to CB#2, Man. in order to present an application to the SLA for an alteration to the existing Restaurant Wine License to expand the licensed premises into an adjoining storefront on the corner of Hudson St and West 10th St and to add an additional 46 seats (30 seats on the interior and 16 exterior seats in sidewalk café) the method of operation remained the same and at that time <u>CB#2</u>, Man. recommended denying the application unless stipulations were adhered to as a result of the SLA's original approval of the restaurant wine license; there were still concerns however that doubling of capacity both inside and outside, use of the corner door and the additional seating in the sidewalk café would contribute to quality of life concerns that are prevalent in the area through additional noise and traffic and more so because the establishment is now also located on West 10th Street which is very residential in character; the applicant stated that they would not use the corner door but have in fact been using the corner door; and,

Whereas, the new operation including the enlarged sidewalk café approved at the end of the summer 2013 has only been in operation for roughly 8 months, the majority colder months in which the sidewalk café has not been fully utilized (opened in September 2013) there are concerns that the true impact of the expansion have not been fully realized and that any request to upgrade based on their existing operation is premature, but also not a factor in weighing whether or not this application serves the public benefit or interest; and,

Whereas, this location has never previously been licensed for On-Premise Liquor; and,

Whereas, there are 21 on-premise liquor licenses within 500 ft and more than 10 beer and wine licenses within 500 ft.; and,

Whereas, the existing Restaurant Wine License at this location does not lend itself to meeting any standards set forth in the "500 ft. rule" as relating to public convenience and advantage or public benefit; and,

Whereas, the Licensee stated their reason for requesting an upgrade to an On-Premise License was based on patrons asking for cocktails, based on the decisions of some patrons to leave upon hearing no alcohol was available and that they would like to offer a stopping home point for more area residents later in the evening for a cocktail; none of the foregoing reasons offers any benefit to the public and simply offer a benefit to the operator; and,

Whereas, the chef only remains on the premises until 10 pm, the principal who operates and manages the establishment leaves at 10 pm, there is no designated manager other than the Principal, the hours of operation in the evenings after 12 am, particularly on the weekends are beyond what other sit down white table cloth restaurants operate in the area, the desire of the Principal for the premises to be the last stop for a late night drink, the already existing noise, traffic, quality of life issues that exist in the area during evening and early morning hours, that it appears the only benefit of upgrading the license would be for the Licensee;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends <u>denial</u> of an upgrade from a restaurant wine license to an on-premise restaurant liquor license for **Rustic Table LLC**, d/b/a The **Quarter**, **522 Hudson St.**, 10014.



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April 29, 2014

Dana E. Christian, Director Licensing Issuance Division NY State Liquor Authority 317 Lenox Avenue New York, New York 10027

Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

21. Baker N Co., Inc. d/b/a Baker N Co, 263 Bleecker St. (Alteration RW SN#1273385 to add rear yard)

Whereas, the applicant appeared before CB2's SLA Licensing committee to present an alteration to an existing restaurant wine license for a "small family style Italian restaurant with a quiet atmosphere in the same style as the [principle's] other restaurants" to add a rear yard garden with 9 tables and 18 seats; and

Whereas, the current license is for a restaurant wine license located in a mixed use building on Bleecker St. between Cornelia St. and Morton St. for a 3,800 sq. ft. premise evenly split between the ground floor and accessory use in the basement (no patrons) with 16 tables and 38 seats and 1 stand up bar with 12 seats, for a total of 50 interior seats, this application is to include a rear yard garden with an additional 9 tables and 18 seats for a total of 25 tables and 68 seats; the rear yard has a retractable awning located over the seating area and sound baffling materials around the sides; there is no sidewalk café's included in this application, there is an existing Letter of No Objection from the NYC Department of Buildings; and,

Whereas, the existing hours of operation for the interior are from 8 a.m. to 12 a.m. seven days a week, music will be quiet background only consisting of music from ipod/cd's (i.e. no active manipulation of music – only passive prearranged music), there is existing sound proofing, there will be no d.j., no promoted events, there will be no private parties, no scheduled performances or cover fees, no velvet ropes, no movable barriers, there will be no T.V.'s; and,

Whereas, the hours of operation for the backyard garden will be no later than 10 pm Sunday to Thursday and 11 pm Friday and Saturday; at 10 pm Sunday to Thursday and 11 pm Friday and Saturday lights will be "out" and no patrons or staff shall remain in the backyard garden; The backyard garden will open no earlier than 11 am; and

Whereas, the principle owns and operates 3 other licensed premises that are operated as restaurants, 2 of which are located within CB#2, Man. and the applicants representative reached out to the local neighborhood Block Association and negotiated a stipulations agreement on behalf of the principle which she agreed to execute; and,

Whereas, the applicant performed community outreach and a letter from the Central Village Block Association was provided; and,

Whereas, the applicant executed a stipulations agreement with CB#2, Man. in September 2013 that they agreed would be attached and incorporated in to their method of operation on their SLA restaurant wine license and the stipulations are as follows:

- 1. The premise will be advertised and operated as a Restaurant Specifically a family style Italian restaurant.
- 2. The hours of operation will be from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. seven days a week. After closing hours, all patrons will have exited the premises.
- 3. The applicant will not seek a DCA Cabaret License.
- 4. There will be no live music, dj's, promoted events, scheduled performances or any events for which a cover fee is charged
- 5. Music will be quiet background only from an ipod dock (i.e. no active manipulation of music only passive prearranged music).
- 6. All doors and windows will be closed at 10 p.m. and remain closed every night without exception.
- 7. The applicant will adhere to all stipulations agreed to with the Central Village Block Association.
- The applicant will execute "Agreement of Intention" with Central Village Block Association as the agreement had not yet been executed prior to CB2's SLA Committee Meeting on Sept. 12th, 2013.
- 9. No music will be played when doors and windows are open.

Whereas, the stipulations agreed to via execution of a "Agreement of Intention" with the Central Village Block Association which the applicant stipulated with CB#2, Man. that would be executed and also attached and incorporated in to their method of operation on their SLA restaurant wine license are as follows:

- 1. Baker N Co will operate daily until 12 midnight.
- 2. Baker N Co staff will keep music at an "ambient" level and patron noise from the establishment will not be heard by residential occupants, whether tenants or owners, of Baker N Co or neighboring buildings on Bleecker or Cornelia Streets. The garden area will close at 10:00 p.m. during the week and at 11:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.
- 3. The principal of Baker N Co shall make clear to its staff and patrons that being a quiet operation in a residential neighborhood is a high priority. Adequate staff will be assigned the responsibility for supervising quiet patron exit and entrance and to discourage loitering and excessively rowdy and noisy behavior both immediately outside the establishment and on surrounding streets.

- 4. Baker N Co will post legible signs on interior and exterior walls of the establishment that are easily read by entering and exiting patrons, stating that patrons are requested to be considerate of 263's neighbors and to keep noise and litter to a minimum.
- 5. Baker N Co shall ensure that air conditioning units, exhaust fans and any other mechanical devices do not produce disturbing noise, vibration or odors in excess of standards set by New York City agencies and that operation of these devices shall be monitored on a continuing basis.
- 6. Baker N Co agrees to comply with all existing sanitation laws in the handling and disposal of all food, waste, litter, recyclables and garbage. Specifically Baker N Co shall inform all its carters that noise is to be kept to a minimum. Baker N Co cleaning staff will be vigilant in clearing debris from the sidewalk and 18 inches into the street surface as required by regulations. Trash pickups will be scheduled for the early morning.
- 7. This agreement shall be filed with Community Board 2 Manhattan and the State Liquor Committee of Community Board 2.
- 8. In due consideration of cooperation extended by the principal of Baker N Co, the Central Village Block Association will not raise objections to Baker N Co's application to the New York State Liquor Authority for a wine and beer license.

Whereas, the applicant executed an additional stipulations agreement with CB#2, Man. in April 2014 that they agreed would modify the existing stipulations agreement from September 2013 to allow use of the rear yard and would add the following stipulations that they also agreed to include and be attached and incorporated in to their existing method of operation on their SLA restaurant wine license and the additional stipulations are as follows:

- 1. The hours of operation for the backyard garden will be no later than 10 pm Sunday to Thursday and 11 pm Friday and Saturday; at 10 pm Sunday to Thursday and 11 pm Friday and Saturday lights will be "out" and no patrons or staff shall remain in the backyard garden. The backyard garden will open no earlier than 11 am.
- 2. No later than 10 pm every night the retractable awning over the backyard garden will be extended to cover the entire backyard dining space to mitigate sound
- 3. All doors and windows will be closed at 10 pm every night except for ingress and egress; no doors will remain propped open after 10 pm.
- 4. No music will be played when doors or windows are open.
- 5. All previous stipulations shall remain in effect except as modified here.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends <u>denial</u> of an alteration to the existing restaurant wine license SN#1273385 for Baker N Co., Inc. d/b/a Baker N Co., 263 Bleecker St. 10014, <u>unless</u> the statements the applicant has presented are accurate and complete, and that those conditions and stipulations agreed to by the applicant relating to the 7th, 8th and 9th "whereas" clauses above are incorporated into the "Method of Operation" on the SLA Restaurant Wine License.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

22. S & J Meatpacking LLC, 53 Little W. 12th St. 10014 (new RW)

Whereas, the applicant appeared before Community Board 2, Manhattan's SLA Licensing committee to present an application to the Liquor Authority for a new Restaurant Wine License for a market style fast casual restaurant; and,

Whereas, this application is for a new Restaurant Wine License in a previously unlicensed location that has been vacant for 5 years; the premises is in a commercial building in a commercial district located on the ground floor on Little West 12th St. between 10th Avenue and Washington St. for a roughly 1,600 sq. ft. premise (800 sq. ft. ground floor and 800 sq. ft. basement - accessory use only) with 3 tables and 6 seats, one window ledge counter with 4 seats and one interior counter with 3 seats and 1 standup bar with no seats; there are no plans for a sidewalk café at this time; there are no other outdoor seating areas and there is temporary Certificate of Occupancy which is current; and,

Whereas, the hours of operation will be from 8 am to 11 pm 7 days a week, there is no Sidewalk café included in this application, all doors and windows will be closed by 10 pm daily, music will be quiet background only consisting of music from ipod/cd's (i.e. no active manipulation of music – only passive prearranged music), there will be no d.j., no promoted events, no private parties, no scheduled performances or cover fees, no velvet ropes, no movable barriers; and,

Whereas, the applicant executed a stipulations agreement with CB#2, Man. that they agreed would be attached and incorporated in to the method of operation on the new restaurant wine SLA license stating that:

1. The premises will be advertised and operated as a Market Style Fast Casual Restaurant.

- 2. The hours of operation will be from 8 am to 11 pm 7 days a week.
- 3. There will be no rear yard garden.
- 4. All doors and windows will be closed no later than 10 pm daily except for ingress and egress.
- 5. There will be no dj's, no live music, no promoted events, no events for which cover fees are charged, no scheduled performances.
- 6. The premises will never seek to upgrade to an on-premises liquor license.

Whereas, the applicant conducted community outreach and a number of letters were provided to CB#2, Man. indicating strong community support and praise for the applicants other licensed premises;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends <u>denial</u> of a new restaurant wine license for **S & J Meatpacking LLC, 53 Little W. 12th St. 10014 <u>unless</u> the statements the applicant has presented are accurate and complete, and that those conditions and stipulations agreed to by the applicant relating to the 4th "whereas" clause above are incorporated into the "Method of Operation" on the SLA Restaurant Wine license.**



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

23. 55 Greenwich Café, Inc. d/b/a Bluestone Lane, 55 Greenwich Ave. 10014 (new RW)

Whereas, the applicant and their attorney appeared before Community Board 2, Manhattan's SLA Licensing committee to present an application to the Liquor Authority for a new Restaurant Wine License for a restaurant/café specializing in coffee as presented in literature provided; and

Whereas, this application is for a new Restaurant Wine License in a previously licensed location that was most recently used for retail purposes; the premises is in a mixed use commercial/residential building in a mixed use residential district located on the ground floor on the Southeast corner of Greenwich Ave and Perry St. for a roughly 1032 sq. ft premise (ground floor only) with a diagram indicating 14 tables and 48 seats, one window counter with 8 seats and one bar with 7 seats for a total of 63 interior seats; there is not a sidewalk café included at this time, but there may be in the future; there is an outdoor side or backyard area with access from the interior premises but there is no current permit or certificate that permits use of the outdoor area for eating and drinking and the applicant has agreed not to use the exterior yard for any purpose until the proper permits and certificates are granted and until he has properly notified and presented to CB2 Man. and the SLA a future alteration application to use this outdoor area; and there is an existing certificate of occupancy showing use group 6 which only indicates an occupancy of 10 persons, so a Letter of No Objection would be required from the NYC DOB; and

Whereas, the hours of operation will be from 8 am to 12 am (midnight) 7 days a week, there is no Sidewalk café included in this application, there are no other outdoor areas included in this application, all doors and windows will be closed by 9 pm daily on the Perry St. side of the premises and at 10 pm on the Greenwich Ave side of the premises, music will be quiet background only consisting of music

from ipod/cd's (i.e. no active manipulation of music – only passive prearranged music), there will be no d.j., no promoted events, no private parties, no scheduled performances or cover fees, no velvet ropes, no movable barriers; and,

Whereas, the applicant executed a stipulations agreement with CB#2, Man. that they agreed would be attached and incorporated into the method of operation on the new restaurant wine SLA license stating that:

- 1. The premises will be advertised and operated as a full service restaurant/cafe with specialty coffee.
- 2. The hours of operation will be from 8 am to 12 am (midnight) 7 days a week. No patrons will remain in the premises after midnight.
- 3. Full food menu will be available at all hours until closing.
- 4. There will be no backyard garden included in this application and no use of the any adjacent outdoor area to the premise;
- 5. All doors and windows on the Perry St. side of the premises will be closed at 9 pm every night; The Perry St. Door will be for emergency egress only; All doors and windows on the Greenwich Ave side of the premises will be closed at 10 pm every night; doors will not be propped open after those hours.
- 6. There will be no dj's, no live music, no promoted events, no events for which cover fees are charged, no scheduled performances.
- 7. There will be no televisions.
- 8. All music will be ambient/quiet background music only.
- 9. The applicant/licensee will return to CB#2, Man. to include any outdoor areas, specifically any rear yard/terrace or sidewalk café; There are no outdoor areas included in this application.

Whereas, the applicant presented a properly prepared petition, which indicated community support, but no letters from any community organizations or block associations were presented;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends <u>denial</u> of a new restaurant wine license for **55 Greenwich Café**, **Inc. d/b/a Bluestone Lane**, **55 Greenwich Ave. 10014** <u>unless</u> the statements the applicant has presented are accurate and complete, and that those conditions and stipulations agreed to by the applicant relating to the 4th "whereas" clause above are incorporated into the "Method of Operation" on the SLA Restaurant Wine license.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

24. The Uncommons LLC d/b/a The Uncommons, 230 Thompson St., 10012

Whereas, the applicant and their attorney appeared before Community Board 2, Manhattan's SLA Licensing committee to present an application to the Liquor Authority for a new beer & wine license for a "Board Game Café" which "offers a wide library of games for play and for sale, and serves food and beverages to patrons" consisting primarily of "coffee, espresso beverages, and sodas along with snacks and pastries"; and

Whereas, this application is for a new beer and wine license in a previously unlicensed location that was most recently a long running Chess Shop, but has been vacant for some time; the premises is in a mixed use commercial/residential building in a mixed use residential district located on the ground floor on Thompson St. between Bleecker St. and West 3rd St. for a roughly 800 sq. ft. premise with 10 tables and 50 seats and one standup bar with no seats which will be used for all transaction in the premises; there is no sidewalk café; there are no other outdoor seating areas; there is a current letter of no objection from the NYC DOB; and

Whereas, the hours of operation will be Sunday to Thursday from 9 am to 12 am (midnight) and Friday and Saturday from 9 am to 1 am, there is no Sidewalk café included in this application, there are no other outdoor areas included in this application, all doors and windows will be closed by 9 pm daily, music will be quiet background only consisting of music from ipod/cd's (i.e. no active manipulation of music – only passive prearranged music), there will be no d.j., no promoted events, no private parties, no scheduled performances or cover fees, no velvet ropes, no movable barriers but there may be board game events for which cover fees are charged; and

Whereas, there were concerns regarding the service of alcoholic beverages in a Game Board style café that will also attract patrons that are not 21 years of age, the operator made it very clear that no one under the age of 21 will be served and that he would take full responsibility for insuring that this never occurs; and

Whereas, the applicant did meet with representatives of the local neighborhood association, the Bleecker Area Merchants' and Residents' Association and an agreement was reached for their support; and

Whereas, the applicant executed a stipulations agreement with CB2 that they agreed would be attached and incorporated into the "method of operation" on their new on premise restaurant liquor SLA license stating that:

- 1. The premises will be operated and advertised as a Board Game Café.
- 2. The hours of operation will be Sunday to Thursday from 9 am to 12 am (midnight) and Friday and Saturday from 9 am to 1 am. All patrons will have exited the premises at the end of the hours of operation.
- 3. There will be no backyard garden.
- 4. All doors and windows will be closed at 9 pm every night including "transom" windows except for ingress and egress; no doors will remain propped open after 9 pm.
- 5. There will be no DJ's, live music, promoted events or scheduled performances. There may be cover fees for special events or for playing board games.
- 6. Music will be quiet background music only.
- 7. There will be no sidewalk café included in this application.
- 8. The licensee will not serve beer or wine prior to 12 pm (noon) 7 days a week.
- 9. There will be no televisions.
- 10. The licensee will not have draft beer.
- 11. The licensee will adhere to all stipulations agreed to with the Bleecker Area Merchants' and Residents' Association and will include all those stipulations in their License's "Method of Operation" and incorporate that agreement into this stipulations agreement with CB#2, Manhattan.

Whereas, the stipulations agreed to with Bleecker Area Merchants and Residents Association which were executed by the Applicant are as follows:

- 1. Hours of Operation: The Establishment shall operate from 11:00 AM to Midnight seven days a week.
- 2. Upgrades: The Operators agree to never apply for an upgrade to a full on premise license.
- 3. Certificates, Permits and Related Documents: The Operators shall obtain all required certificates, permits and related documents.
- 4. **Traffic:** The Operators will use reasonable efforts to remedy any traffic issues brought to its attention, to the extent that it can. The Operators shall direct staff to monitor the patrons of the Establishment who are gathered outside the Establishment and the staff shall direct such persons or traffic going to and from the Establishment to keep the area clear and passable by pedestrians. The Operators will clean any debris left by its patrons (i.e.: cigarette butts, etc.) from the area in front of the Establishment and surrounding areas.
- 5. **Manager:** The Operators shall have an English-speaking manager on duty, capable of adequately communicating with residents of the community, to be present at the Establishment during all hours of operation. All Managers and staff will operate under these stipulations as well. Any complaints made about the Establishment to BAMRA will be relayed to the

Operators and the Operators will make their phone numbers available to complainant and will work with both the complainant and BAMRA to reasonably resolve any issues.

- 6. **Music:** The Operators shall play quiet, background level music inside the Establishment and shall not play any music whatsoever outside the Establishment, nor deliberately direct music from within the Establishment to be heard outside the Establishment. The Operators shall not permit DJs, live music or outside promoters in the Establishment.
- 7. Television: The Operator shall have no televisions in the Establishment.
- 8. Sidewalk Café: The Operators agree to never apply for a sidewalk café license.
- 9. **Sanitation:** The Operator shall not place refuse at the curb except as close to pick up as possible and will make best efforts to coordinate garbage pick up times with other establishments.
- 10. Lighting: The Operator shall not install illuminated signage or lighting on or within the Establishment that would adversely and unreasonably disturbs residents living near the Establishment.
- 11. Windows & Doors: The door shall remain closed at all times except for ingress and egress.
- 12. Notification Of Change Of Ownership: The Operator shall notify Manhattan Community Board 2 in the event of a change of ownership as required by law.
- 13. License Renewal: The Operator will appear before BAMRA and Manhattan Community Board 2 before renewing this liquor license, to determine if the stipulations are working and are being adhered to.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends <u>denial</u> of a new beer and wine license for **The Uncommons LLC d/b/a The Uncommons, 230 Thompson St., 10012 <u>unless</u> the statements the applicant has presented are accurate and complete, and that those conditions and stipulations agreed to by the applicant relating to the 5th and 6th "whereas" clause above are incorporated into the "Method of Operation" on the SLA Beer and Wine license.**



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

25. NNJ Restaurant LLC d/b/a Shuko, 47 East 12th St., 10003 (New OP)

Whereas, the applicant and their attorney appeared before Community Board 2, Manhattan's SLA Licensing committee to present an application to the Liquor Authority for a new on-premise restaurant liquor license for a "small casual family friendly Asian and Japanese sit-down restaurant focused on excellent food made very well" predominantly serving an omakase menu; and,

Whereas, this application is for a new on-premises restaurant liquor license in a previously licensed location that was most recently a Mexican restaurant, but has been vacant for some time; the premises is in a mixed use commercial/residential building in a mixed use residential district located on the ground floor on East 12th Street between Broadway and University Place for a roughly 1,450 sq. ft. premise (750 sq. ft. ground floor and 750 sq ft basement – accessory use only) with 4 tables and 16 seats and one sushi bar with 20 seats for a total of 36 seats; there will be no "standup" bar, but there will be one service bar; there is no sidewalk café; there are no other outdoor seating areas; there is no Certificate of Occupancy but a letter of no objection will be obtained to indicate that use is allowed; and

Whereas, the hours of operation will be from 8 am to 12 am (midnight) 7 days a week, there is no Sidewalk café included in this application, there are no other outdoor areas included in this application, all doors and windows will be closed by 9 pm daily on the Perry St. side of the premises and at 10 pm on the Greenwich Ave side of the premises, music will be quiet background only consisting of music from ipod/cd's (i.e. no active manipulation of music – only passive prearranged music), there will be no d.j., no promoted events, no private parties, no scheduled performances or cover fees, no velvet ropes, no movable barriers; and,

Whereas, there are 14 On-premise liquor licenses within 500 ft. of this premises and a number of Restaurant Wine Licenses and this area is predominantly residential; and whereas the principals have extensive backgrounds working in and running some of the best known omakase style Japanese restaurants in New York City including within CB#2, Man.; and,

Whereas, the applicant did meet with representatives of the local block association, the University Place Residents Association Inc. and an agreement was reached for their support; and,

Whereas, the applicant executed a stipulations agreement with CB2 that they agreed would be attached and incorporated into the "method of operation" on their new on premise restaurant liquor SLA license stating that:

- 1. The premises will be operated and advertised as a Asian/Japanese Sit Down Restaurant.
- 2. The hours of operation will be Sunday to Wednesday from 5 pm to midnight and Thursday to Saturday from 5 pm to 1 am. No customers shall remain in the premises after closing.
- 3. Food menu items will be available at all hours the restaurant is open to patrons.
- 4. There is no sidewalk café.
- 5. There is no rear yard garden or other outdoor space.
- 6. Soundproofing will be installed using an acoustical engineer.
- 7. There will be no dj's, no live music, no promoted events, no events for which cover fees are charged, no scheduled performances.
- 8. All agreements/stipulations agreed to separately with the University Place Residents Association Inc. will be attached and included into this stipulations agreement with CB2 Manhattan and will additionally be incorporated into the "method of operation" on the onpremise restaurant liquor license.

Whereas, the stipulations agreed to with the University Place Residents Association, Inc. which were executed by the Applicant are as follows:

Hours of operation: On each Sunday through Wednesday night, the Operator shall close no later than **MIDNIGHT**. On each Thursday, Friday and Saturday night, (more correctly referred to as Friday, Saturday and Sunday morning) the Operator shall close no later than **1:00AM**.

Soundproofing: The Operator shall use its best efforts to soundproof the Establishment to ensure that noise does not emanate from the Establishment, in any direction and meets or exceeds New York City noise code.

Exterior Equipment: The Operator shall hire a certified acoustical consultant to make

recommendations such that any exterior equipment installed and operated by the Operator will meet or exceed the current New York City Noise Code guidelines for residential areas. The Operator shall use its best efforts to soundproof the Exterior Equipment according to said recommendations to ensure that all noise produced by any external equipment installed and operated by the Operator meets or exceeds New York City noise code. Subsequent to any exterior equipment installation, the Operator shall hire a certified acoustical consultant to perform a "Commissioning Test" to ensure that any exterior equipment is installed correctly and meets or exceeds the current New York City Noise Code. The Operator shall provide proof of a successful Commissioning Test to the Community Board, the State Liquor Authority and the University Place Residents Association, Inc..

Front door: The Operator shall cause the doors to remain in a closed position. The Operator shall not operate any outdoor speakers or sound amplification and shall not deliberately direct any sound outside of the Establishment. Upon request, the Operator shall hang a sign outside the establishment, which shall be legible from 20 feet away, instructing patrons to keep the noise down and to respect the neighbors.

Windows: The Operator shall use its best efforts to ensure that noise does not emanate from the windows. The Operator shall not permit any doors or windows to be left open. If any windows are to be replaced they are to be replaced with non-operable windows.

Security: The Operator shall cause a communicative general manager to be present at the Establishment during all hours of operation.

Music: The Operator shall not permit DJs or live music in the Establishment. Only background music at a reasonable level shall be permitted.

Promoters: The Operator shall not use outside promoters or allow promoted third party events at the Establishment.

Dancing: The Operator shall not permit dancing in the Establishment.

Sanitation: The Operator shall not store garbage or garbage dumpsters outside of the Establishment. The Operator will schedule garbage pickup for _TBD_. All garbage will be triple bagged. Operator will not permit garbage to remain on curb for longer than TBD hours.

Outdoor Seating: The operator will not establish any outdoor seating or seek to obtain permission for any outdoor seating including but not limited to any unenclosed sidewalk cafe permit.

Lighting: The Operator shall not install any banner up-lighting on the exterior of the Establishment and shall replace said lighting with reduced brightness, spot-type down lighting so as to not disturb residents living above and around the Establishment.

Steering: The Operator shall not attempt to steer the public from the sidewalk into the

Establishment. The Operator shall not distribute any fliers on the sidewalk or street.

Drink Specials: The Operator shall not offer any discounted drinks at any time. All drinks will always be sold at full price.

Kitchen: The Operator shall cause the kitchen to stay open serving a full menu until closing. **Signage:** All signage will conform to signage standards found in landmark districts.

Monthly Meetings: Upon request, the Operator shall make available the general manager to attend monthly meetings with representatives of the community.

Kitchen Exhaust: The Operator shall use its best efforts to ensure that smells emanating from the establishment do not disturb the neighbors. Upon reasonable request the Operator shall implement whatever measures necessary to abate any odor issues shown to be emanating from the establishment.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends <u>denial</u> of a new on premise restaurant liquor license for **NNJ Restaurant LLC d/b/a Shuko, 47 East 12th St., 10003 <u>unless</u> the statements the applicant has presented are accurate and complete, and that those conditions and stipulations agreed to by the applicant relating to the 6th and 7th "whereas" clause above are incorporated into the "Method of Operation" on the SLA on premise restaurant liquor license.**



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April 29, 2014

Dana E. Christian, Director Licensing Issuance Division NY State Liquor Authority 317 Lenox Avenue New York, New York 10027

Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

THE FOLLOWING ARE RESOLUTIONS FOR ALL APPLICANTS THAT WERE LAID OVER, WITHDRAWN, OR DID NOT APPEAR BEFORE THEIR REQESTED HEARING:

26. 74 Fifth Ave. Market Corp., 74 5th Ave., 10011 (Layover - Alteration to Existing Restaurant Wine SN#1196583)

Whereas, at this month's CB2 Manhattan's SLA Licensing Committee Meeting #2 on April 10th, 2014, the applicant and business manager agreed to **layover** this application for an alteration to an existing restaurant wine license alteration for one month in order to present a completed package for review including static and complete floor plans; address issues with late night operation (premises will be open 24 hours): explain how with a 24 tap beer system the premises could monitor for underage drinking when there was no table service and seating areas located in a mezzanine are out of view of the service point at the entrance of the store; address underage procedures because the premises is located directly across the street from a large University Dormitory (the New School); address issues that it seemed highly unusual that a "market" style convenience store establishment with "to go" foods for sale on the ground floor and an upstairs mezzanine for patron dining would change in the evenings by placing numerous additional tables and chairs on the ground floor to accommodate patrons for the consumption of beer and wine and then remove those tables during the day to accommodate patrons looking for "to go" style convenience store food; to address concerns that in order to sell enough draft beer with 24 taps that the business would change its underlying business to be predominantly a drinking establishment during the evening hours without any plans to mitigate quality of life impacts; and in order to address these concerns the applicant would prepare a complete package addressing those concerns and will resubmit the application package for consideration at a future CB2 SLA Licensing Committee meeting should they proceed; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends that the SLA <u>deny</u> any type of proposed on premise liquor license, beer and wine license, corporate change, class change, **alteration**, transfer, upgrade or changes to any existing license for **74 Fifth Ave. Market Corp., 74 5th Ave., 10011** until the applicant has presented their application in front of CB2's SLA Licensing Committee and CB2 has forwarded a recommendation to the SLA and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB2, should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

27. Corkbuzz LLC d/b/a Corkbuzz Wine Studio, 13 E. 13th Street, 10003 (layover - extension of hours)

Whereas, prior to this month's CB2 Manhattan's SLA Licensing Committee Meeting #2 on April 10th, 2014, the applicant's representative requested to **layover** this application for an alteration to extend the hours of operation to the existing on premises restaurant liquor license and will resubmit the application for consideration at a future CB2 SLA Licensing Committee meeting should they proceed;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends that the SLA <u>deny</u> any type of proposed alteration to any existing license for **Corkbuzz LLC d/b/a Corkbuzz Wine Studio**, **13 E. 13th Street, 10003** until the applicant has presented their application in front of CB2's SLA Licensing Committee and CB2 has forwarded a recommendation to the SLA and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB2, should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

28. Qifan LLC, d/b/a Lumos, 90 W. Houston St., Basement, 10012 (Layover - New OP)

Whereas, at this month's CB2 Manhattan's SLA Licensing Committee Meeting #2 on April 10th, 2014, the applicant requested to <u>layover</u> this application for a new on-premise restaurant liquor license for one month in order to perform additional community outreach and to meet with the very active neighborhood association, the Bleecker Area Merchants' and Residents' Association in order to overcome standing objections and will resubmit the application for consideration at a future CB2 SLA Licensing Committee meeting should they proceed; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 2, Manhattan strongly recommends that the SLA <u>deny</u> any type of proposed on premise liquor license, beer and wine license, corporate change, class change, alteration, transfer, upgrade or changes to any existing license for **Qifan LLC**, **d/b/a Lumos**, **90 W. Houston St., Basement, 10012** until the applicant has presented their complete application in front of CB2's SLA Licensing Committee and CB2 has forwarded a recommendation to the SLA and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB2, should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

29. Bluestone Lane 55 Greenwich LLC, d/b/a Bluestone Lane, 55 Greenwich Ave., 10014 (withdrawn – New OP)

Whereas, prior to this month's CB2 Manhattan's SLA Licensing Committee Meeting #2 on April 10th, 2014, the applicant's attorney requested to <u>withdraw</u> this application for a new on-premise restaurant liquor license and explained that the same principles would instead be filing for a restaurant wine license under a different corporate entity at the same location;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends that the SLA <u>deny</u> any type of proposed on premise liquor license, beer and wine license, corporate change, class change, alteration, transfer, upgrade or changes to any existing license for an entity known as Bluestone Lane 55 Greenwich LLC, d/b/a Bluestone Lane, 55 Greenwich Ave., 10014 until the applicant has presented their application in front of CB2's SLA Licensing Committee and CB2 has forwarded a recommendation to the SLA and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB2, should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on April 24, 2014, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

30. NPC Group, LLC d/b/a Delarosa, 74-76 7th Ave. So. Aka 35-37 Barrow St. 10014 (New OP - layover)

Whereas, prior to this month's CB2 Manhattan's SLA Licensing Committee Meeting #2 on March 13th, 2014, the applicant's representative requested to **layover** this application for a new on premise liquor license and will resubmit the application for consideration at a future CB2 SLA Licensing Committee meeting should they proceed;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends that the SLA <u>deny</u> any type of proposed on premise liquor license, beer and wine license, corporate change, class change, alteration, transfer, upgrade or changes to any existing license for NPC Group, LLC d/b/a Delarosa, 74-76 7th Ave. So. Aka 35-37 Barrow St. 10014 until the applicant has presented their application in front of CB2's SLA Licensing Committee and CB2 has forwarded a recommendation to the SLA and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB2, should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.

Please advise us of any decision or action taken in response to this resolution.

Sincerely,

Robert Ely, Co-Chair SLA Licensing Committee Community Board #2, Manhattan

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