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Beverly Gotay  
Assistant Director of Licensing  
Department of Consumer Affairs  
42 Broadway, 8<sup>th</sup> floor  
New York, NY 10004

**Re: SIDEWALK CAFÉ APPLICATION**

**Applicant:** Eisen & Son Inc. d/b/a Lasagna  
**Location:** 196 Eighth Avenue  
**DCA License No.:** 1193339  
**Type:** New Application – Unenclosed Sidewalk Café  
**Tables/Chairs:** 9 tables/18 chairs

Dear Ms. Gotay:

Manhattan Community Board No. 4 recommends denial of this application for an unenclosed sidewalk café. Prior to our review of this application, we received several complaints from the community that the applicant was already operating the café illegally without a license. In addition, we have received complaints about the metal supports for the applicant's awning, which are illegally welded to the subway grates in front of the restaurant.

The Community Board also objects to the applicant's plan to place 6 tables and 12 chairs and a planter on Eighth Avenue. In recognition of high pedestrian volumes, the previous sidewalk café at this location was limited to only 3 tables and 6 chairs on Eighth Avenue and no planters were permitted.

Given the applicant's history of ignoring City and State regulations, we recommend that the application be denied.

Sincerely,

Walter Mankoff  
Chair  
Manhattan Community Board No. 4

Jay Marcus  
Chair  
Transportation Planning Committee

cc: Elected Officials  
Applicant