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February 16, 2007

Chairman Daniel Boyle  
New York State Liquor Authority  
80 South Swan Street, Suite 900  
Albany, NY 12210-8002

**Re: Club BR LLC d/b/a BED, 530-542 West 27<sup>th</sup> Street**

Dear Chairman Boyle:

At its January 9, 2007 meeting, the Business Licenses and Permits Committee of Manhattan Community Board 4 voted to recommend denial of the renewal of the on-premises liquor license for the owners of the BED.

The committee believes the venue has been operating as a nightclub and not as a restaurant and lounge as was it was initially described by its operators in their presentation and application. We have additional concerns as to the physical alterations that have taken place on the roof without any alteration to the license.

The above concerns were all expressed before the recent tragedy in which a patron of the nightclub plunged to his death after an altercation with a member of the venue's staff. This horrible accident only amplifies our request to not renew the license of this troublesome club.

At its full board meeting on February 7, 2007, Manhattan Community Board 4 voted to approve this recommendation of denial.

Sincerely yours,

J. Lee Compton  
Chair  
Manhattan Community Board No. 4

Lisa Daglian  
Co-Chair  
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John Weis  
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cc: Applicant  
Fred Gioffre  
Elected Officials