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Resolution: Support of the Liquor License Application of N & D Restaurants LLC, d/b/a “Olive Garden Italian Restaurant,” for a new establishment to be located at 100 West 125th Street, New York, NY 10027.

WHEREAS, the New York State Liquor Authority (SLA) has jurisdiction to issue on-premises licenses according to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Laws, and is responsible for enforcing those laws; and

WHEREAS, Manhattan Community Board 10 reviews all new applications and offers guidance to the SLA about the potential impact of a license on public safety and quality of life in our District; and

WHEREAS, Community Boards, as part of their due diligence process, review an applicant’s ownership and funding; floor plans of the proposed location, food and beverage to be served, operational aspects of the restaurant/bar or lounge, price points, employee hiring processes, physical accessibility for all patrons, employee wages and benefits, and community involvement; and

WHEREAS, N & D Restaurants LLC is applying for a Liquor License for a new establishment to be known as “Olive Garden Italian Restaurant” to be located at 100 West 125th Street, New York, NY 10027 (NW corner of Lenox Avenue); and

WHEREAS, the establishment’s General Manager, Darryl Cunningham, appeared before Community Board 10’s Economic Development Committee on April 14, 2016 and presented the following information:

1. The Applicant operates 29 SLA-licensed Olive Gardens in New York State.
2. Applicant has obtained a 10-year lease with four 5-year renewals for the premises.
3. The restaurant will have a maximum occupancy of 327 patrons. There will be 296 seats at 63 tables and 6 seats at the bar.
4. The restaurant will present an Italian cuisine menu including appetizers, salads, soups, pastas, meat and seafood. The price points will range primarily from \$10.00 to \$22.00.
5. The establishment will be open Sunday - Thursday 11:00 am to 10:00 pm, and Friday – Saturday 11:00 am to 11:00 pm.
6. The restaurant will provide recorded background music only. There will be no live music or DJs. The premises will not have any immediately adjacent residents.
7. The Applicant plans to employ 160 people, including 50 full-time employees. The Applicant will provide employee benefits including

- a. Medical, Dental and Life Insurance
 - b. Short and Long-term Disability Insurance
 - c. Illness and Accident Insurance through AFLAC
 - d. Dining Discounts
 - e. Paid Vacation
 - f. Employee Credit Union
 - g. National Discount Mall
 - h. Group Legal Plan
 - i. Pet Insurance
 - j. 401(k) Plan
 - k. Employee Stock Purchase Plan
 - l. Flexible Spending Accounts
 - m. Employee Assistance Program
 - n. Career Advancement Opportunities
8. The Applicant intends to hire from the Community and will utilize hiring websites, local employment agencies, flyer distribution to local community groups, local job fairs and an Open House.
 9. The Applicant will provide 40 hours of training to new employees and each employee will be assigned a trainer who will continue to work with employees.
 10. The establishment will be located in a newly-constructed building and will be fully disabled and wheelchair accessible. The restaurant will be located on the mezzanine floor and will be accessible via elevator; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant has obtained support from the 125th Street BID and the Harlem Community Development Corporation; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant intends to work with and support local benefit organizations, including the YMCA and the Boys and Girls Club; and

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

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that on May 4, 2016, the Manhattan Borough Community Board 10 supports the Liquor License application of N & D Restaurants LLC with a vote of 30 in favor, 3 opposed and 1 abstention.