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Resolution: Support of the Wine and Beer License Application of Barawine, LLC, dba "Le Barawine", located at 200 Lenox Avenue, New York, NY 10026.

WHEREAS, the New York State Liquor Authority (SLA) has the jurisdiction to issue onpremise licenses according to the Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) 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 neighborhoods; 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; employee wages and benefits; and community involvement; and

WHEREAS, Barawine, LLC is applying for a Wine and Beer License for an establishment to be known as Le Barawine located at 200 Lenox Avenue, New York, NY 10026; and

WHEREAS, Barawine, LLC is solely owned by Fabrice Warin and Gaetan Russeau; and

WHEREAS, Barawine, LLC appeared before Community Board 10's Economic Development Committee on January 10, 2013 and presented the following information;

- 1. Barawine, LLC's co-owner, Fabrice Warin, will oversee the day-to-day management of Le Barawine, menu creation and customer service. Mr. Warin has extensive experience in restaurant management in Manhattan. He has worked at La Goulue, Orsay, Cercle Rouge, Balthazar, Payard Bistro and Barbounia. Mr. Warin has live in Central Harlem for over 10 years.
- **2.** Le Barawine proposes to offer a full menu of French-influenced appetizers, entrées, sides and salads as well as a selection of quality, reasonably-priced wine and beer.

- Wine prices will range from \$6 \$10 per glass and \$22 to \$70 per bottle. Le Barawine will sponsor wine-tasting and wine-education programs.
- **3.** Le Barawine's floor plans include approximately 1,500 square feet of interior space on the ground floor level.
- **4.** Le Barawine will accommodate 68 patrons combined at its bar and tables.
- 5. Le Barawine's hours of operation will be Sunday thru Thursday from 11 am to 11 pm, and Friday and Saturday 11 am to 2 am.
- **6.** Le Barawine will be handicapped accessible. The entry and first-floor layout does not incorporate any steps or stairs and the bathroom is handicapped accessible.
- 7. Le Barawine will play ambient background music. There will be no live music other than a singer-pianist for weekend brunch.
- **8.** Le Barawine will create 27 employment opportunities in the following categories: 6 bussers, 6 waiters, 2 runners, 2 hostesses, 2 sommeliers, 1 manager, 2 dishwashers, 4 line cooks, 1 chef, 1 accounting.
- **9.** Le Barawine will pay dining room staff will get hourly compensation, tips and paid vacation. Kitchen staff will receive hourly compensation and paid vacation. Le Barawine may offer staff compensation to obtain health insurance.
- **10.** Le Barawine will train employees with respect to wine service and will hire several experienced kitchen employees to help with training less-experienced workers.
- 11. Le Barawine will seek to hire employees from the community by displaying help wanted signs and advertising on the Internet. Mr. Warin's practice at his prior establishments has been to hire from the community.

WHEREAS, Barawine, LLC has provided a petition of support signed by 49 neighbors and community residents; and

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Committee on January 10, 2013 voted 9-yes, 0-no, and 0-abstentions to support this application;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that on February 6, 2013 the Manhattan Borough Community Board 10 supports the Liquor License application of Barawine LLC with a vote of 38 in favor, 2 opposed and 0 abstentions.