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Resolution: Support of a new Liquor License for Richard M. Notar, d/b/a Notar Jazz Club, LLC located at 288 Lenox Avenue, New York, NY 10027.

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 proposed methods of operations for the subject restaurant/bar or lounge; price points; employee hiring processes; employee wages and benefits; and community involvement; and

WHEREAS, Richard M. Notar (hereinafter, "Notar") is applying for a Liquor License for an establishment to be known as Notar Jazz Club, located at 288 Lenox Avenue, New York, NY 10027; and

WHEREAS, Notar Jazz Club, LLC appeared before Community Board 10's Economic Development Committee on December 13, 2012 and presented the following information;

- 1. Notar is a principal in Notar Hospitality, and has 37 years of experience in the hospitality industry, including overseeing the establishment and management of 19 Nobu-branded restaurants worldwide.
- **2.** Notar Jazz Club will operate as a restaurant-lounge-jazz venue offering an upscale take on soul food with entrees priced from \$20.00 \$35.00.
- 3. Notar does not plan any significant renovations to current layout of the premises.
- **4.** Notar Jazz Club will be open Monday through Sunday, with bar service from 12:00 pm to 4:00 am, dinner service from 4:00 pm to 4:00 am, and brunch served on Saturdays and Sundays from 12:00 pm until 4:00 pm.

- **5.** Notar Jazz Club intends to provide professional security personnel at the premises as needed.
- **6.** Notar Jazz Club intends to offer live performances of a wide range of jazz genres, and will strive to feature local artists.
- 7. Notar Jazz Club intends to hire approximately 50 full-time employees, including 5 waiters, 5 bussers, 2 bartenders, 1 barback, 5 line cooks, 2 dishwashers and 2 runners, all of whom will be trained by management prior to opening. Notar Jazz Club will also hire freelance musicians who will perform on a nightly basis.
- **8.** In his prior operations, Notar has a successful record of hiring and mentoring employees and promoting from within. Notar intends to use local advertising and community organizations to assist in hiring local community residents.

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Committee on December 13, 2012 voted 7-yes, 4-no, and 1-abstention to support this application;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Manhattan Borough Community Board 10 supports the Liquor License application of Richard M. Notar with a vote of 23 in favor, 17 opposed and 0 abstentions.