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Resolution: Support of the Liquor License Application of Sivan Design LLC, dba “Silvana”, located at 300 West 116th Street, New York, NY 10026.

WHEREAS, the New York State Liquor Authority (SLA) has the jurisdiction to issue on-premise 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, Sivan Design LLC is applying for a Liquor License for an establishment to be known as Silvana located at 300 West 116th Street, New York, NY 10026; and

WHEREAS, Sivan Design LLC is solely owned by Sivan Baron Ouendraogo and Abdel Kader Ouendraogo; and

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

1. Sivan Design LLC’s owners are currently the proprietors of Shrine and Yatenga on Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. Blvd. and 132nd Street, and are the holders of liquor, cabaret and sidewalk café licenses with respect to those establishments. The owners are Harlem residents.
2. Silvana will encompass two levels: The ground floor level will consist of a café offering sandwiches, salads, pastries, wine and beer. The ground floor level will also

include a boutique selling gifts and household accessories. The basement level will have be a Middle Eastern Shawarma/Falafel restaurant and a bar and live music venue.

3. The price point for food in the ground-level café will be from \$2.00 - \$6.00. Prices in the lower level restaurant will range between \$4.00 - \$8.00. Beer will be priced between \$4.00 and \$8.00, and cocktails between \$8.00 - \$13.00.
4. Silvana's upper level will be 900 square feet with seating for 16 people. The lower level will be 1,500 square feet bar and table searing for 64 people.
5. The hours of operation for the ground-floor café will be 8:00 am to 10:00 pm. The hours of operation for the lower-level restaurant/bar/live music venue will be from 12:00 noon 3:45 am.
6. The owners will soundproof the ceilings of both levels. The building is only two levels and will not be occupied by any other residents or businesses.
7. Silvana will employ two security guards during the evening hours.
8. Silvana will be handicapped accessible. The ground-level entrance and ground level bathroom are accessible. The proprietors will install a stairway chair lift to provide handicapped access to the lower level.
9. Silvana will create 14 employment opportunities for managers, servers and kitchen staff. Employees' compensation will be comprised of minimum wage plus tips.
10. Silvana will provide training to all employees.
11. Silvana will seek to hire employees from the community, which is the owners' current practice at their existing two Central Harlem establishments. They have already been receiving resumes from community residents.

WHEREAS, Sivan Design LLC has provided a petition of support signed by 17 neighbors 4 local businesses; 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 Sivan Design LLC with a vote of 40 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions.