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Manny Velazquez, Chairman Ebenezer Smith, District Manager

June 27, 2008

Hon. Daniel B. Boyle Chairman New York State Liquor Authority 80 South Swan Street Albany, NY 12210

RE: C&F Enterprises Inc. dba La Palma Bar & Grill 132 Audubon Avenue, (between 171<sup>st</sup> and 172<sup>nd</sup> St.)

Dear Chairman Boyle:

Please be advised that The General Meeting of Community Board 12, Manhattan held on Tuesday, June 24, 2008 passed a resolution with a vote of 30-4-0-0 recommending SLA APPROVE renewal of its Tavern Wine License

Whereas, the below listed establishment has duly notified Community Board 12 of its intent to file an application for a renewal of its Tayern Wine License; and

Whereas, the Economic Development Committee, having met on June 17, 2008 to hear comments from the community, local police precincts, and the owner/representatives about this establishment, was satisfied that no adverse comments were heard from any parties present; and

Therefore Be it Resolved, that Community Board 12 offers no objection to the State Liquor Authority granting a renewal of the Tavern Wine License for: C&F Enterprises Inc. DBA La Palma Bar & Grill.

Thank you in advance for your favorable consideration of our requests.

Manny Velazquez

Chair

cc: Honorable David Paterson, Governor

Honorable Andrew Cuomo, Attorney General

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RE: Jo's Bakery LLC., dba Dona Carmen Bakery 4476-82 Broadway, (between Fairview and 193rd St.)

Dear Chairman Boyle:

Please be advised that The General Meeting of Community Board 12, Manhattan held on Tuesday, June 24, 2008 passed a resolution with a vote of 28-5-0-0 recommending SLA APPROVE new Restaurant Wine License

Whereas, the below listed establishment has duly notified Community Board 12 of its intent to file an application for a new Restaurant Wine License; and

Whereas, the Economic Development Committee, having met on June 3, 2008 to hear comments from the community, local police precincts, and the owner/representatives about this establishment, and was satisfied that no adverse comments were heard from any parties present; and

Therefore Be it Resolved, that Community Board 12 offers no objection to the State Liquor Authority granting a new of the Restaurant Wine License for: Jo's Bakery Café LLC., dba Dona Carmen Bakery.

Thank you in advance for your favorable consideration of our requests.

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RE: 3920 Bwy Rest Inc. dba La Parilla Restaurant 3920 Broadway, (between 164<sup>th</sup> and 165th St.)

Dear Chairman Boyle:

Please be advised that The General Meeting of Community Board 12, Manhattan held on Tuesday, June 24, 2008 passed a resolution with a vote of 30-4-0-0 recommending SLA APPROVE renewal of On-Premises Liquor License

Whereas, 3920 Bwy Rest Inc., d/b/a La Parrilla Restaurant, 3920 Broadway (between W. 164th and 165th Streets), has duly notified Community Board 12 of its intent to file an application for a renewal of its On-Premises Liquor License; and

Whereas, The District Manager of Community Board 12 conducted a mediation session with the owners and representatives of the tenants to resolve the noise-related issues involving this establishment; and

Whereas, The mediation resulted in a signed agreement dated May 12, 2008, in which the owners committed themselves to install "the most modern soundproof[ing] system," to detach the speakers from the ceiling and place them in a case, to install a new door in the back of the restaurant, and to take out its garbage by 10 p.m. instead of around midnight; and

Whereas, The Economic Development Committee met on June 17, 2008 to resume its consideration of the pending application; now,

Therefore Be it Resolved, that Community Board 12 offers no objection to the State Liquor Authority granting a renewal of the On-Premises Liquor License for 3920 Bwy Rest Inc., d/b/a La Parrilla Restaurant, with the understanding that the owners will comply with the agreement entered into with the tenants and satisfactorily resolve the issues regarding loud music and handling of garbage.

Thank you in advance for your favorable consideration of our requests.

MManny Velazquez

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Manny Velazquez, Chairman Ebenezer Smith, District Manager

June 23, 2008

Hon. Gretchen Dykstra Commissioner Department of Consumer Affairs 42 Broadway New York, NY 10004

RE: 600 West 169<sup>th</sup> Restaurant Inc. dba *Coogan's Restaurant* 4015 Broadway, between 168<sup>th</sup> and 169<sup>th</sup> Street

Dear Commissioner Dykstra:

The following resolution was passed by a vote of 34-0-0-0 Community Board 12, Manhattan at its General Meeting on Tuesday, June 24, 2008

Whereas, a Public Hearing was held at the Community Board 12, Office, located at 711 West 168<sup>th</sup> Street, on June 17, 2008 to discuss an application submitted by 600 West 169<sup>th</sup> Restaurant Inc. dba *Coogan's Restaurant*, located at 4015 Broadway for a recommendation too operate an Unenclosed sidewalk café with a total of 22 tables and 44 seats; and

Whereas, Ron Mendel, Attorney at Law, presented the plans and along with restaurant's owner, Peter Walsh, answered questions regarding the unenclosed sidewalk café and;

Whereas, the plans show 22 tables and 44 seats to be placed on the Southside side of Broadway near West 169th Street, and;

Whereas, the owners will be hiring additional wait staff for unenclosed café from 35 employees to 65 employees approximately, and;

**Therefore Be it Resolved**, that Community Board 12 Manhattan, recommends the Department of Consumer Affairs approve a one-year license for 600 West 169<sup>th</sup> Restaurant Inc. dba *Coogan's Restaurant*, to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 22 tables and 44 seats.

Thank you in advance for your favorable consideration of our requests.

Manny Velazquez Chair

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Hon. Gretchen Dykstra Commissioner Department of Consumer Affairs 42 Broadway New York, NY 10004

RE: 3952 Bway Corp. dba X-Caffe 3952 Broadway, between 165<sup>th</sup> and 166<sup>th</sup> Street

Dear Commissioner Dykstra:

The following resolution was passed by a vote of 33-0-0-1 Community Board 12, Manhattan at its General Meeting on Tuesday, June 24, 2008

Whereas, a Public Hearing was held at the Community Board 12, Office, located at 711 West 168<sup>th</sup> Street, on June 17, 2008 to discuss an application submitted by 3952 Broadway Corp. dba X-Caffe, located at 3952 Broadway for a recommendation too operate an Unenclosed sidewalk café with a total of 5 tables and 14 seats; and

Whereas, the restaurant owner, Zead Ramadan, presented the plans and, answered questions regarding the unenclosed sidewalk café and;

Whereas, the plans show 5 tables and 14 seats to be placed on the Southside side of Broadway near West 165th Street, and;

Whereas, the owner will have wheelchair accessible tables and lightweight chairs, and;

Therefore Be it Resolved, that Community Board 12 Manhattan, recommends the Department of Consumer Affairs approve a one-year license for 3952 Bway Corp. dba *X-Caffe*, to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 5 tables and 14 seats.

Thank you in advance for your favorable consideration of our requests.

Manny Velazquez

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June 25, 2008

Hon. Commissioner Benepe NYC Dept. of Parks and Recreation The Arsenal, Central Park New York, N.Y. 10021

Dear Commissioner Benepe:

The following resolution was passed by unanimous vote of 37-0-0-2 Community Board 12, Manhattan at its General Meeting on Tuesday, June 24, 2008

Whereas, Sugar Hill, a geographic rise from the West 140s to the West 170s, aligned with Edgecombe Avenue, was home to many African-American luminaries in culture, politics and history; and,

Whereas, Several of these luminaries (including Count Basie, Constance Baker Motley, W.E.B. DuBois, Duke Ellington, Thurgood Marshall, Paul Robeson), have been memorialized by having streets, schools or parks in Manhattan's Community Districts 9 and 12 named after them, but many (inluding Harry Belafonte, William Braithwaite, Elizabeth Catlett, Drs. Kenneth & Mamie Clark, Marvel Cooke, Aaron Douglas, Lena Horne, Charles White, Walter White, Roy Wilkins, et al.) have not been so honored and there are not enough streets, schools and parks in the surrounding neighborhoods to do so; and,

Whereas, Highbridge Park's "Library Lawn", a triangular patch of Highbridge Park at the northwest corner of Edgecombe Avenue and 155<sup>th</sup> Street sometimes currently referred to as the "Library Lawn," is centrally located on Sugar Hill and can serve as a unifying location to an area that is otherwise divided by West 155<sup>th</sup> Street, the border of Manhattan's Community Districts 9 and 12; and,

Whereas, Representatives of many neighborhood organizations, including the Edgecombe Avenue Block Association, the Friends of Sugar Hill, the Saint Nicholas Block Association, the Harlem Historical Society, the 409 Edgecombe Avenue Cooperative Association, the Saint Nicholas Place Block Association and the 555 Edgecombe Avenue Tenants Association are united in their desire to commemorate the great legacy of Sugar Hill and its luminaries, and have met with CB12's Parks & Cultural Affairs Committee numerous times over the winter and spring of 2007/08 to discuss the siting of a "Sugar Hill Luminaries Unity Park"; and

Whereas, These representatives are forming a conservancy charged with the stewardship of a public venue for the purpose of public eduction about the Sugar Hill luminaries and their contribution to American society and the local community, as well as the beautification and maintenance of said area of a public park; now, therefore

Be It Resolved, That Community Board 12, Manhattan recommends that the New York City Department of Parks & Recreation name Highbridge Park's "Library Lawn" as "Sugar Hill Luminaries Lawn."

Thank you in advance for your favorable consideration of our requests.

Manny Velazquez

Chair

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Dear Commissioner Benepe:

The following resolution was passed by unanimous vote of 37-0-0-2 Community Board 12, Manhattan at its General Meeting on Tuesday, June 24, 2008

Whereas, The contributions of Professor Juan Bosch to democracy, education and the literary arts are internationally admired, and his message of liberty, equality and responsible self-governance have had a significant impact on the education and political ideals of a considerable population within Manhattan's Community District 12; and,

Whereas, The Juan Bosch Foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization founded in 2006, has dedicated itself to spreading the message and vision of Professor Bosch for the continued betterment of the communities of Washington Heights & Inwood; and,

Whereas, Representatives of the Foundation have met with CB12's Parks & Cultural Affairs Committee numerous times over the winter and spring of 2007/08 to discuss the siting of a park to honor Professor Bosch; and,

Whereas, The installation of a monument commemorating Juan Bosch would add to the cultural landscape of Washington Heights, and the proposed Plaza provides opportunities for economic development through increased tourism; and,

Whereas, Highbridge Park's Sitting Area, a landscaped rest adjacent to Amsterdam Avenue near West 191st Street with trees, benches and a small wrought-iron enclosure, would be an ideal location for cutural and educational programming as well as passive recreation and quiet contemplation proposed by the Juan Bosch Foundation; and,

Whereas, The proposed location's proximity to several public schools and institutions provides unique opportunities for collaborative education programming, as well as indoor venues for cultural programming; and,

Whereas, The neighborhood and the park can only benefit from the stewardship provided by a responsible not-for-profit organization; now, therefore

Be It Resolved, That Community Board 12, Manhattan recommends that the New York City Department of Parks & Recreation rename Highbridge Park's "Sitting Area" as "Plaza Juan Bosch."

Thank you in advance for your favorable consideration of our requests.

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