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May 17, 2010

Hon. Rafael E. Cestero
Commissioner
NYC Department of Housing Preservation and Development
100 Gold Street
New York, NY 10038

RE: Resolution urging City Council, DOITT and HPD to implement reforms to improve service outcomes for tenants who call 311 with common housing-related complaints and to strengthen housing code enforcement.

Dear Commissioner Cestero:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 30-0-0 at its April 27th 2010 general meeting. Urging the City Council, the Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications, and the Department of Housing Preservation and Development to implement reforms to improve service outcomes for tenants who call 311 with common housing-related complaints and to strengthen housing code enforcement.

- Whereas:** Citywide calls to 311 during the winter months that require housing inspections can exceed 200,000 per month and the Department of Housing Preservation and Development employs only 400 code enforcement inspectors to serve the entire City of New York, with only 120 working on weekends; and,
- Whereas:** The Department of Housing Preservation and Development lacks appropriate procedures to address intermittent and inadequate heat and hot water complaints, which leads residents to make repeated 311 calls that mostly never get resolved or investigated; and,
- Whereas:** The 311 system should be more effective at addressing common and persistent housing-related needs such as the lack of heat or hot water, inadequate heat or hot water, a failure to maintain the building or to make repairs in an apartment, and other building and housing code violations; now therefore be it
- Resolved:** That Community Board 12, Manhattan recommends that the City Council triple the number of seasonal, part-time and weekend code enforcement inspectors, and full-time inspectors employed by the Department of Housing Preservation and Development; and be it further
- Resolved:** That the Department of Housing Preservation and Development be required to undertake unannounced inspections of buildings with repeat calls even where no violation was issued by the agency, so that the agency can resolve the recurring problem of inadequate or intermittent heat and hot water, and that much larger fines against unresponsive landlords be imposed by the City Council; and be it further
- Resolved:** That Community Board 12, Manhattan requests that the Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications publish regular monthly reports of Community District-level data on number of complaints of no heat, no hot water, inadequate or intermittent heat, inadequate or intermittent hot water, bed bugs, no electricity, lead paint, and failure of landlords to maintain their buildings; and be it further
- Resolved:** That Community Board 12 requests that the monthly 311 reports be reformatted to reflect the number of times that the Department of Housing Preservation and Development staff achieved contact with a tenant and investigated the 311 complaint; issued a violation for any 311 complaint; closed the complaint without ever establishing contact with a tenant; closed the complaint because the tenant reported the issue was resolved, and resolved the complaint through the agency's action; and report the number of days passed since the complaint was made and the complaint was closed; and be it further

Resolved: That Community Board 12 recommends that the Department of Housing Preservation and Development and the Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications track the number of calls received for each building; flag buildings generating calls above a certain daily average number each month; and develop a strategy to address the needs of those residents, such as making unannounced building-wide inspections, follow-up inspections to ensure that landlords are making repairs, or initiating litigation on behalf of tenants.

Sincerely,



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RE: Resolution Calling for Greater Protection of Tenants Against Housing Discrimination

Dear Commissioner Cestero:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 30-0-0 at its April 27th 2010 general meeting. Urging the New York State Legislature, the New York State Department of State, New York City Council and the New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development to implement reforms and provide needed funding to strengthen protections for tenants from discrimination and harassment.

Whereas: The passage of laws allowing tenants to sue their landlords for harassment and prohibiting discrimination against renters based on lawful sources of income has not stopped tenant harassment and discrimination against tenants with Section 8 vouchers because harassment is difficult to prove in court and there is no system for monitoring real estate agents and brokers who discriminate; now, therefore be it

Resolved: That Int. 627-A should be amended to require the New York City Department of Housing, Preservation and Development to issue regulations defining harassment and procedures for the administrative adjudication of harassment complaints; to receive and record tenant complaints of harassment and to investigate harassment complaints; and to be authorized to adjudicate them administratively; and be it further

Resolved: That the New York State Legislature and the New York State Department of State require licensed realtors and brokers to record and report on a monthly basis to the New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development data that would enable the department to assess the incidence of discrimination based on source of income, such as the number of requests to view apartments from persons possessing Section 8 vouchers; the number of apartments marketed by asking rent; the number of all requests to view apartments; and the number of apartments rented to persons possessing Section 8 vouchers.

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- Whereas:** CU plans to build a new athletic facility elsewhere on this waterfront lot, along W. 218th Street between Park Terrace East & Broadway; and
- Whereas:** Waterfront/waterway access is a required zoning mitigation for any development of a waterfront lot; and
- Whereas:** Community Board 12, Manhattan (CB12M) continues to list waterfront/waterway access and both passive and active waterfront/waterway recreation as high priorities for the District; and
- Whereas:** CB12M, its Parks & Cultural Affairs Committee and the surrounding Inwood community have voiced concerns about development at Baker Field, as well as programming and access at the site, as cited at minutes of various public meetings; and
- Whereas:** CU consulted with the Department of Parks & Recreation (DPR) on a small (just under one-acre) park on the site adjacent to Inwood Hill Park, incorporating many of DPR's requests and suggestions into the design, which it initially presented to the community at a Parks & Cultural Affairs Committee meeting on October 6, 2009, where the plan was well received, both for the design itself and the level of community and agency collaboration; and
- Whereas:** CU presented the park plan again, as well as a design concept and then plans for a its proposed new athletic facility at a joint meeting of the Parks & Cultural Affairs and Land Use Committees on November 4th, and at CU-sponsored public meetings on December 9th and March 23rd, at all of which specifically were noted the need for community accommodations as mitigation for development on a waterfront lot and in exchange for the long-term and previously uncompensated use of public land, and the future use of same; and
- Whereas:** CB12M, its Parks & Cultural Affairs Committee and the surrounding Inwood community continue to have concerns about safety, security, programming, access and equity raised by both projects; and
- Whereas:** The cost of the park development represents a very small percentage of the overall cost of the new field house, and, while the new parkland will be a welcome addition as a community amenity, it is inadequate in and of itself to mitigate the development of a waterfront lot, compensate for the loss of public access to the waterfront/waterway due to the presence of CU's boathouse to which the public is denied access, and make the public whole for the unpaid use by CU of public property for many decades; and
- Whereas:** Even a modest rent compounded at even a modest interest rate over so many years would total an amount in the millions of dollars; and
- Whereas:** The Parks & Cultural Affairs Committee met to discuss a list of accommodations which in the aggregate adequately might serve to meet the zoning mitigation requirements and to compensate for the long-term use of public property and the future use of same; now therefore be it
- Whereas:** CU has entertained community requests and granted accommodations in exchange for other developments, including but not limited to Audubon Ballroom project, Hammer Health Sciences Building; and the Manhattanville expansion; now therefore be it

Resolved: Community Board 12, Manhattan urges that the City of New York require Columbia University to agree to and implement the following accommodations in order to comply with waterfront zoning regulations triggered by CU's construction of the new Baker Field athletic facility and in recognition of CU's long-term use and occupancy of City-owned property without compensation:

1. Provide adequate coverage by CU staff of the new park;
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3. Enable and permit daily public access to the public waterfront/waterway by the boathouse (though not necessarily the boathouse itself, which is private and on private CU property) during the hours that parks generally are open;
4. Host periodic (at least monthly) "learn to row" or other public programming events;
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7. Pay for and staff seasonal educational and recreational programming in the natural wetlands;
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9. Add another recipient to the Dyckman Institute scholarship program, bringing the annual total from four to five;
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11. Repair and bring into ADA-compliance the comfort stations by Inwood Hill Park's public tennis courts in conjunction with an already-funded NYC DPR capital project to repair the courts;
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Hon. Dennis Rosen
Chairman
New York State Liquor Authority
80 South Swan Street
Albany, NY 12210-8002


Re: **Melodia Corp.**
154 Post Avenue

Dear Chairman Rosen:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 23-6-1 at its April 27th 2010 general meeting recommending the State Liquor Authority grant a Renewal of its On-Premises Liquor License to Melodia Corp.

- WHEREAS,** Melodia Corp. located at 154 Post Avenue has duly notified Community Board 12M of its intent to file an application for a renewal of its premise liquor license; and
- WHEREAS,** the owner was present to discuss the establishment and its benefits to the community; and
- WHEREAS,** The Economic Development Committee having met on April 6th, 2010 to hear comments from the community, who did not object to the renewal of the application, but raised concern centered around ensuring no underage drinking was occurring in the establishment; and
- WHEREAS,** the owner was able to explain the various measures in place to proactively address the aforementioned concerns including utilizing wristbands to identify patrons by age, using breathalyzers, asking individuals to leave if it is suspected that they are underage drinking and having patrons sign waivers acknowledging that they understand the policies of the establishment; and
- WHEREAS,** the 34th Precinct raised no objection to the renewal of the on premise liquor license, but did express continued they wanted continued vigilance from the establishment on handling disorderly groups; therefore be it
- RESOLVED,** Community Board 12 (Manhattan) recommends that the State Liquor Authority grant a renewal of the On Premise Liquor License for Melodia Corp.

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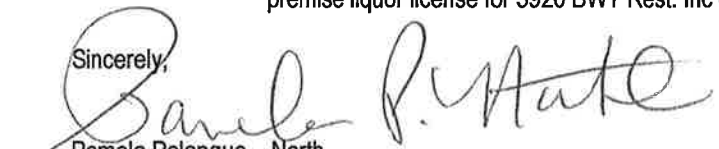
**Re: 3920 BWY Restaurant Inc. dba La Parilla
3920 Broadway**

Dear Chairman Rosen:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 5-24-1 at its April 27th 2010 general meeting not recommending the State Liquor Authority grant a Renewal of its On-Premises Liquor License to 3920 BWY Restaurant Inc. dba La Parilla.

- WHEREAS,** 3920 BWY Rest. Inc. dba La Parilla located at 3920 Broadway has duly notified Community Board 12M of its intent to file an application for a renewal of its on premise liquor license; and
- WHEREAS,** the owner Gino Hernandez was present to discuss the establishment and its benefits to the community; and
- WHEREAS,** The Economic Development Committee having met on April 6th, 2010 to hear comments from the community, who raised objections about issues related to loud music and disorderly conduct of individuals outside of the establishment; and
- WHEREAS,** Community residents provided a signed petition from residents of the neighboring buildings regarding the negative effects of the establishment on the residents' quality of life; and
- WHEREAS,** the 33rd Precinct raised no objection to granting a renewal of the on premise liquor license citing improvements in its ability to control noise issues, but did confirm numerous noise complaints from neighborhood residents therefore be it
- RESOLVED,** Community Board 12 (Manhattan) does not recommend that the State Liquor Authority grant a renewal of the on premise liquor license for 3920 BWY Rest. Inc dba La Parilla.

Sincerely,


Pamela Palanque – North
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May 5, 2010

Hon. Dennis Rosen
Chairman
New York State Liquor Authority
80 South Swan Street
Albany, NY 12210-8002


Re: El Rancho Los Compadres Corp.
110 Sherman Avenue

Dear Chairman Rosen:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 26-2-2 at its April 27th 2010 general meeting recommending the State Liquor Authority grant a Renewal of its On-Premises Liquor License to El Rancho Los Compadres Corp.

- WHEREAS,** El Rancho Los Compadres Corp. located at 110 Sherman Avenue has duly notified Community Board 12M of its intent to file an application for a renewal of its on premise liquor license; and
- WHEREAS,** the owner Miguel Costa was present to discuss the establishment and its benefits to the community; and
- WHEREAS,** The Economic Development Committee having met on April 6th, 2010 to hear comments from the community, which raised no objection to the establishment; and
- WHEREAS,** the 34th Precinct raised no objections to granting a renewal of the on premise liquor license; therefore be it
- RESOLVED,** Community Board 12 (Manhattan) recommends that the State Liquor Authority grant a renewal of the on premise liquor license for El Rancho Los Compadres Corp.

Sincerely,


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80 South Swan Street
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Re: Cypress Specialty Foods Inc. dba Healthy Habits
813 W. 187th Street

Dear Chairman Rosen:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 27-2-1 at its April 27th 2010 general meeting recommending the State Liquor Authority grant a Renewal of its On-Premises Liquor License to Cypress Specialty Foods Inc. dba Healthy Habits.

WHEREAS, Cypress Specialty Foods Inc, dba Healthy Habits located at 813 W. 187th Street has duly notified Community Board 12M of its intent to file an application for a renewal of its on premise liquor license; and


WHEREAS, the owner Thomas Hey was present to discuss the establishment and its benefits to the community; and

WHEREAS, The Economic Development Committee having met on April 6th, 2010 to hear comments from the community, which raised no objection to the establishment; and

WHEREAS, the 34th Precinct raised no objection to granting a renewal of the on premise liquor license; therefore be it

RESOLVED, Community Board 12 (Manhattan) recommends that the State Liquor Authority grant a renewal of the on premise liquor license for Cypress Specialty Foods Inc. dba Healthy Habits.

Sincerely,


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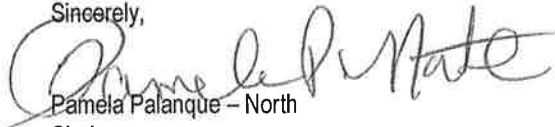
Re: Marisco Centro Restaurant Inc. dba Marisco Centro
1490 St. Nicholas Avenue

Dear Chairman Rosen:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 27-2-1 at its April 27th 2010 general meeting recommending the State Liquor Authority grant a Renewal of its On-Premises Liquor License to Marisco Centro Restaurant Inc. dba Marisco Centro.

- WHEREAS,** Marisco Centro Rest. Inc. dba Marisco Centro located at 1490 St. Nicholas Avenue has duly notified Community Board 12M of its intent to file an application for a renewal of its on premise liquor license; and
- WHEREAS,** the owner Chelo Martinez was present to discuss the establishment and its benefits to the community; and
- WHEREAS,** The Economic Development Committee having met on April 6, 2010 to hear comments from the community, which raised no objections to the establishment; and
- WHEREAS,** the 34th Precinct did not raise any objections to granting the renewal of the on premise liquor license; therefore be it
- RESOLVED,** Community Board 12 (Manhattan) recommends that the State Liquor Authority grant a renewal of the on premise liquor license for Marico Centro Rest. Inc. dba Marisco Centro.

Sincerely,


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80 South Swan Street
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Re: **La Fiesta Restaurant Corp.**
3797 Broadway

Dear Chairman Rosen:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 28-1-1 at its April 27th 2010 general meeting not recommending the State Liquor Authority grant a Renewal of its Restaurant Wine License to La Fiesta Restaurant Corp.

- WHEREAS,** La Fiesta Restaurant Corporation located at 3797 Broadway has duly notified Community Board 12M of its intent to file an application for a renewal of its restaurant wine license; and
- WHEREAS,** no representative was present to discuss the establishment and its benefit to the community; and
- WHEREAS,** The Economic Development Committee having met on April 6, 2010 to hear comments from the community, which no statements either in favor or against were made; and
- WHEREAS,** It is Economic Development Committee protocol to provide an automatic no vote for establishments that do not have a representative present to discuss their establishment; therefore be it
- RESOLVED,** Community Board 12 (Manhattan) does not recommend that the State Liquor Authority does not grant a renewal of the restaurant wine license for La Fiesta Restaurant Corp.

Sincerely,


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Chairman
New York State Liquor Authority
80 South Swan Street
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**Re: Little Apple LTD.
537 W. 207th Street**

Dear Chairman Rosen:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 29-1-0 at its April 27th 2010 general meeting recommending the State Liquor Authority grant a Renewal of its Restaurant Wine License to La Fiesta Restaurant Corp.

WHEREAS, Little Apple, L.T.D. located at 537 W. 207th Street has duly notified Community Board 12M of its intent to file an application for the renewal of its restaurant wine license; and


WHEREAS, the owner Espana Aristy was present to discuss the establishment and its benefit to the community; and

WHEREAS, The Economic Development Committee having met on April 6, 2010 to hear comments from the community, which raised no objection to the establishment; and

WHEREAS, the 34th Precinct did not raise any objection to granting the renewal of the restaurant wine license; therefore be it

RESOLVED, Community Board 12 (Manhattan) recommends that the State Liquor Authority grant a renewal of the restaurant wine license for Little Apple, LTD.

Sincerely,


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80 South Swan Street
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Re: **Danny F. Donuts Corp.**
3868 10th Avenue

Dear Chairman Rosen:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 27-1-2 at its April 27th 2010 general meeting recommending the State Liquor Authority grant a Renewal of its Restaurant Wine License to Danny F. Donuts Corp.

WHEREAS, Danny F Donuts Corp. located at 3868 10th Avenue has duly notified Community Board 12M of its intent to file an application for the renewal of its restaurant wine license; and

WHEREAS, the owner Silvino Ramirez was present to discuss the establishment and its benefit to the community; and

WHEREAS, The Economic Development Committee having met on April 6, 2010 to hear comments from the community, which raised no objection to the establishment; and

WHEREAS, the 34th Precinct did not raise any objection to granting the renewal of the restaurant wine license; therefore be it

RÉSOLVED, Community Board 12 (Manhattan) recommends that the State Liquor Authority grant a renewal of the restaurant wine license for Danny F Donuts Corp.

Sincerely,

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Chairman
New York State Liquor Authority
80 South Swan Street
Albany, NY 12210-8002

Re: La Caridad Restaurant #2
2092 Amsterdam Avenue

Dear Chairman Rosen:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 28-1-1 at its April 27th 2010 general meeting recommending the State Liquor Authority grant a Renewal of its Restaurant Wine License to La Caridad Restaurant #2.

WHEREAS, La Caridad Restaurant #2 located at 2092 Amsterdam Avenue has duly notified Community Board 12M of its intent to file an application for the renewal of its restaurant wine license; and

WHEREAS, the owner Altagracia Marero was present to discuss the establishment and its benefit to the community; and

WHEREAS, The Economic Development Committee having met on April 6, 2010 to hear comments from the community, which raised no objection to the establishment; and

WHEREAS, the 33rd Precinct did not object to granting the renewal of the restaurant wine license; therefore be it

RESOLVED, Community Board 12 (Manhattan) recommends that the State Liquor Authority Grant a renewal of the restaurant wine license for La Caridad Restaurant #2.

Sincerely,

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May 6th, 2010

Chairman Matthew Haus
Taxi & Limousine Commission
40 Rector Street
New York, NY 10006

Re: Seaman Radio Dispatcher, Inc. – License Renewal

Dear Chairman Haus:

Please be advised that at the General Meeting of Community Board 12, Manhattan held on Tuesday, April 27, 2010, a resolution passed with a vote of 30-0-0 recommending the TLC renew R. C. Seaman Radio Dispatcher, Inc.,

WHEREAS, Seaman Radio Dispatcher Inc. located at 4020 10th Avenue has duly notified Community Board 12M of its intent to file an application for the renewal of its taxi and limousine license; and

WHEREAS, the owner Carlos Garcia was present to discuss his business and its benefit to the community; and

WHEREAS, The Economic Development Committee having met on April 6, 2010 to hear comments from the community, which raised no objection to the business; and

WHEREAS, the 34th Precinct did not object to granting the renewal of the taxi and limousine license; therefore be it

RESOLVED, Community Board 12 (Manhattan) recommends that the Taxi and Limousine Commission grant a renewal of the taxi and limousine license for Seaman Radio Dispatcher Inc.

Sincerely,

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May 6th, 2010

Chairman Matthew Haus
Taxi & Limousine Commission
40 Rector Street
New York, NY 10006

Re: Reyno Car Service, Inc. – License Renewal

Dear Chairman Haus:

Please be advised that at the General Meeting of Community Board 12, Manhattan held on Tuesday, April 27, 2010, a resolution passed with a vote of 30-0-0 recommending the TLC renew Reyno Car Service, Inc.,

WHEREAS, Reyno Car Service, Inc. located at 615 W. 173rd Street has duly notified Community Board 12M of its intent to file an application for the renewal of its taxi and limousine license; and

WHEREAS, the owner Donald Amador was present to discuss his business and its benefit to the community; and

WHEREAS, The Economic Development Committee having met on April 6, 2010 to hear comments from the community, which raised no objection to the establishment; and

WHEREAS, the 33rd precinct did not object to granting a renewal of the taxi and limousine license; therefore be it

RESOLVED, Community Board 12 (Manhattan) recommends that the Taxi and Limousine Commission grant a renewal of the taxi and limousine license for Reyno Car Service, Inc.

Sincerely,

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May 5, 2010

Hon. Dennis Rosen
Chairman
New York State Liquor Authority
80 South Swan Street
Albany, NY 12210-8002

**Re: El Nuevo Taino Restaurant Inc.
2228 Amsterdam Avenue**

Dear Chairman Rosen:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 25-5-0 at its April 27th 2010 general meeting not recommending the State Liquor Authority grant a New On-Premises Liquor License to El Nuevo Taino Restaurant Inc.

- WHEREAS,** El Nuevo Taino Restaurant Inc. located at 2228 Amsterdam Avenue has duly notified Community Board 12 of its intent to file an application for an on premise liquor license; and
- WHEREAS,** the owner Christobalino Marine was present to discuss the establishment and its benefit to the community; and
- WHEREAS,** The Economic Development Committee having met on April 6, 2010 to hear comments from the community, which some concern about given the nature of the establishment, why must it stay open until 4 AM and have a full liquor license given the fact that there are several other establishments in the area that stay open to those hours and serve alcohol and are concerned about potential decreases in quality of life; therefore be it
- RESOLVED,** Community Board 12 (Manhattan) does not recommend that the State Liquor Authority grant a new on premise liquor license to El Nuevo Taino Restaurant Inc.

Sincerely,

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May 5, 2010

Hon. Dennis Rosen
Chairman
New York State Liquor Authority
80 South Swan Street
Albany, NY 12210-8002

Re: R & M Restaurant Corp.
1261-1263 St. Nicholas Avenue

Dear Chairman Rosen:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 25-4-1 at its April 27th 2010 general meeting recommending the State Liquor Authority grant a New On-Premises Liquor License to R & M Restaurant Corp.

- WHEREAS,** R & M Restaurant Corp. located at 1261-1283 St. Nicholas Avenue has duly notified Community Board 12M of its intent to file an application for a new on premise liquor license; and
- WHEREAS,** the owner Manuel Perez was present to discuss the establishment and its benefit to the community; and
- WHEREAS,** The Economic Development Committee having met on April 6, 2010 to hear comments from the community, which raised no objection to the establishment; and
- WHEREAS,** the 33rd Precinct did not object to granting a new on premise liquor license to the establishment; therefore be it
- RESOLVED,** Community Board 12 recommends that the State Liquor Authority grant a new on premise liquor license to R & M Restaurant Corp.

Sincerely,

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May 5, 2010

Hon. Dennis Rosen
Chairman
New York State Liquor Authority
80 South Swan Street
Albany, NY 12210-8002

Re: El Rey De La Paella Corp.
558 W. 181st Street

Dear Chairman Rosen:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 26-2-2 at its April 27th 2010 general meeting not recommending the State Liquor Authority grant a New On-Premises Liquor License to El Rey De La Paella Corp.

- WHEREAS,** El Rey De La Paella Corp. located at 558 W. 181st Street has duly notified Community Board 12 of its intent to file an application for a new on premise liquor license; and
- WHEREAS,** there was no representative present to discuss the establishment or its benefits to the community;
- WHEREAS,** The Economic Development Committee having met on April 6, 2010 to hear comments from the community, which no statements either in favor or against were made; and
- WHEREAS,** It is Economic Development Committee protocol to provide an automatic no vote for establishments that do not have a representative present to discuss their establishment; therefore be it
- RESOLVED,** Community Board 12 (Manhattan) does not recommend that the State Liquor Authority does not grant a new on premise liquor license to El Rey De La Paella Corp.

Sincerely,


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May 6, 2010

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

**RE: Vida Café Inc. dba Mamajuana Café
247 Dyckman Street**

Dear Commissioner Dykstra:

Community Board 12 passed the following resolution with a vote of 18-8-4 at its April 27th 2010 general meeting not recommending the Department of Consumer Affairs grant a Re-Application of its Unenclosed Sidewalk Café License to Vida Café Inc. dba Mamajuana Café.

WHEREAS, Vida Café Inc. dba Mamajuana Café located at 247 Dyckman Street has duly notified Community Board 12M of its intent to file an application for an unenclosed sidewalk café; and

WHEREAS, representatives Victor Santos and Antonio Lopez were present to discuss the establishment and its benefit to the community; and

WHEREAS, The Economic Development Committee having met on April 6, 2010 to hear comments from the community, which raised objections related to issues of consistent noise pollution issues, consistent crowd control problems or concerns about security in particular as they related to overcrowding on sidewalk and the congregation of motorcycle gangs; and

WHEREAS, while the 34th Precinct did not object, however, confirmed numerous noise complaints from the community on a frequent basis and the necessity to have a police car stationed near the establishment at night in particular on the weekends because of complaints regarding the establishment; therefore be it

RESOLVED, Community Board 12 (Manhattan) does not recommend that the Department of Consumer Affairs grant an unenclosed sidewalk café to Vida Café Inc. dba Mamajuana Café.

Sincerely,

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