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October 28, 2025

Director Licensing Issuance Division NY State Liquor Authority 163 W. 125th Street New York, New York 10027

Dear Sir/Madam:

At its Full Board meeting on October 23, 2025, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

Ubani Bistro Inc dba Ubani Bistro 259 Bleecker 10014 (WBC–Restaurant) (DJ) (Live music) (DONYC-Sidewalk)

Whereas, prior to this month's CB2, Manhattan's SLA #2 Licensing Committee Meeting on October 9, 2025, the Applicant's Attorney requested to lay over this application to November/2025 and will resubmit the application for consideration at a future CB2 SLA Licensing Committee meeting; the Applicant appeared before CB2, Man. in July/2025 for a Restaurant Wine License at which time CB2, Man. recommended denial of the application asking that the NYSLA to calendar the item to appear before the full board of the Authority before any license, temporary or otherwise, be issued to the Applicant; the Applicant having already filed the application with the NYS Liquor Authority which included changes from what was presented to CB2, Man., this notice and future appearance being to inform CB2, Man. of the changes that have been made to the application; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 2, Manhattan strongly recommends that the NYSLA <u>deny</u> any type of proposed on-premises liquor license, tavern wine license, restaurant wine license, any other beer and wine license, corporate change, change in method of operation, alteration, transfer or other changes to any existing license for **Ubani Bistro Inc dba Ubani Bistro 259 Bleecker 10014 <u>until</u> the Applicant has presented their application in front of CB2's SLA Licensing Committee and CB2 has forwarded a recommendation to the NYSLA and requests that the NYSLA send this Applicant back to CB2 should this application proceed directly to the NYSLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.**

Vote: Unanimous, 33 Board Members in favor.

We respectfully request that your agency take action consistent with the positions expressed in the above.

Sincerely,

Donna Raftery, Chair SLA Licensing 1 and 2 Committees Community Board #2, Manhattan Valerie De La Rosa, Chair Community Board #2, Manhattan

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cc: Hon. Daniel Goldman, Congressman

Hon. Brad Hoylman-Sigal, NY State Senator Hon. Brian Kavanagh, NY State Senator Hon. Deborah J. Glick, NY State Assembly Hon. Grace Lee, State Assembly Member Hon. Brad Lander, NYC Comptroller

Hon. Michael Levine, Man. Borough President Hon. Erik Bottcher, NYC Council Speaker Hon. Christopher Marte, NYC Council Member

Thomas Donohue, Deputy Commissioner of Licensing, NY State Liquor Authority