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December 19, 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 December 18, 2025, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

**Sweet Hospitality Group LLC 432-434 Lafayette St 10003** (OP–Legitimate Theater) (*previously unlicensed*)

**Whereas**, the Applicant submitted notice to Community Board 2, Manhattan (CB2M) of their intent to file an application with the NYSLA for an On-Premises–Legitimate Theater Liquor License that includes the adjacent courtyard; and

**Whereas**, the Applicant appeared to re-present the application that was presented in November/2025, that initial application having included seating in an exterior courtyard which the Applicant removed from the application in November/2025, the instant application being a renotification of the application to again include the exterior courtyard with the liquor license application, the Applicant still unable to show that the use of the courtyard is permitted for eating and drinking and again failing to do outreach to those living outside of 432–434 Lafayette Street whose residences and residential windows open directly out to the courtyard proposed to be licensed, the Applicant requesting **to withdraw** this application from further consideration during CB2M’s SLA Licensing Committee meeting, affirming that they will not submit this application to the NYSLA for consideration without returning to CB2M should they decide to proceed at some time in the future; and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that CB2M strongly recommends that the NYSLA **deny** 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 **Sweet Hospitality Group LLC 432-434 Lafayette St 10003** **until** the Applicant has presented their application in front of CB2M’s SLA Licensing Committee and CB2 has forwarded a recommendation to the NYSLA and requests that the NYSLA send this Applicant back to CB2M 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, 39 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  
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