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September 17, 2010

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

Jonathan Mintz Commissioner City of New York Department of Consumer Affairs 42 Broadway New York, NY 10004

Re: 356 West 44th Street Restaurant Inc. d/b/a/ Irish Rogue

330 West 44 Street

Dear Chairman Rosen and Commissioner Mintz:

Manhattan Community Board 4 (MCB4) reviewed the renewal of the liquor license of **356 West 44th Street Restaurant Inc. d/b/a/ Irish Rogue** and recommends denial of license renewal as it pertains to the outdoor sidewalk café for the following reasons:

During the review of the sidewalk café renewal application, community complaints were registered about the amplified sound emanating from this establishment through open French doors into the late hours of the night and early morning. The operator failed to appear at the appropriate meeting of MCB4 to discuss these complaints. Consequently, MCB4 recommended denial of the renewal of this sidewalk café to NYC Department of Consumer Affairs. A copy of that letter is enclosed.

Given MCB4's denial recommendation and pending action by the DCA and Elected Officials, we also recommend denial of the liquor license as it pertains to the sidewalk café.

MCB4 does recommend approval to renew this establishment's liquor license for the interior space only.

Sincerely,

John Weis *Chair*Manhattan Community
Board 4

cc: Applicant
Fred Gioffre
Elected Officials

Chuck Spence *Chair*Business License & Permits
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