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ROBERT J. BENFATTO, JR., ESQ. District Manager

April 3, 2008

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

Re: Adam Honig or Entity to be formed – 785 9th Avenue (52/53)

Dear Chairman Boyle:

At its March 11, 2008 meeting, the Business Licenses and Permits Committee of Manhattan Community Board 4 voted to recommend <u>denial</u> of a transfer of an On-Premise Liquor License to Adam Honig or Entity to be formed $-785 9^{\text{th}}$ Avenue (52/53 Streets) <u>unless the following stipulations</u>, agreed to by the applicant, <u>are part of the method of operation</u> for this establishment:

- Applicant will not apply for a cabaret license now or at any time in the future.
- Applicant will not apply for a sidewalk café at this time.

Adam Honig or entity to be formed, presented to the BLP Committee a new restaurant owned by the family that owns and operates Lasagna restaurant. The restaurant will be open 7 days per week, from 12 noon to 12 midnight in the space formerly known as Xing. Total capacity is 74 with 5 in the bar area and 69 for dining. The establishment will be operated primarily as a restaurant with full bar service. Because of concerns raised about the operation of a sidewalk café at its Chelsea location, the applicant agreed not to file at this time for a sidewalk café license, and was discouraged by several committee members from applying in the future.

At its full board meeting on April 2, 2008, Manhattan Community Board 4 voted to approve this recommendation.

Sincerely,

cc:

Jean-Daniel Noland Chair Manhattan Community Board Four

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