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

Re: Inkpress Restaurant in NYC d/b/a Print& Press Lounge – 653 11th Avenue (48) New OP for a ground floor restaurant/bar and a rooftop restaurant/bar with some outdoor space

Dear Commissioner Boyle:

Manhattan Community Board 4 recommends <u>denial</u> of a new full liquor license for Inkpress Restaurant in NYC d/b/a Print& Press Lounge <u>unless the following</u> <u>stipulations</u>, agreed to by the applicant, <u>are part of the method of operation</u> for this establishment:

- A certified soundproofing engineer will be used to recommend and implement soundproofing in the establishment. There will be no amplified sound in the outdoor space of the rooftop.
- Total capacity is 440 with 200 in the ground floor (indoors) and 240 on the rooftop floor (partially outdoor space). The outdoor space will be limited to 120 patrons.
- Hours of operation are 6:30 am to 4 am 7 days per week.
- The applicant will not be applying for a cabaret license.
- The applicant will not use outside promoters for any events.
- Indoor amplified sound will be via DJ and background music only, no live performers.
- Outdoor space will only allow seated food and beverage service by wait staff. No outdoor rooftop space will be used by patrons to stand and drink or smoke. There will be no bars on the outdoor patio (service or stand up). Wait staff will serve drinks from the indoor service and stand

up bar. Patrons will not be allowed to carry drinks from the inside bar to the outside for consumption.

- Hotel security will be used to control the patrons of this establishment. No outdoor sidewalk space will be used for queuing of patrons waiting to enter the establishment.
- The operator/management will work with CB4 to address traffic issues related to the restaurant, bar and the hotel including, but not limited to, traffic and queuing of cars and a loading/taxi stand.

This establishment is a restaurant and bar on the ground and rooftop floors of the Vu Hotel. This application is separate and independent from the hotel liquor license for the Vu Hotel.

Sincerely,

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cc: Applicant Fred Gioffre Elected Officials