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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

February 20, 2014

Kerri J. O'Brien Deputy Commissioner State Liquor Authority 80 South Swan Street, Suite 900 Albany, New York 12210-8002

RE: <u>Richard Mahon or entity to be formed, 116 East 60th Street (Park/Lex)</u>-New application for Liquor, Wine & Beer. Food/Drink: 40/60

Dear Ms. O'Brien:

At the February 20, 2014 Full Board meeting of Manhattan Community Board 8, the following recommendation was adopted by a vote of 32 in favor, 7 opposed, and 3 abstentions.

WHEREAS approximately 25 residents of 118 East 60th Street appeared before the committee to express concerns about this application, and

WHEREAS these concerns focused on the possibility of ill-behaved and/or drunk patrons of the establishment creating excessive noise, particularly at late hours, or blocking access to their building's circular driveway, and

WHEREAS they were also concerned about trash and food odors that would be produced by the establishment, and

WHEREAS the applicant has owned and operated a similar establishment in our area (the Carriage House at 219 East 59th Street) for over 25 years, and

WHEREAS there have been no reported issues or concerns generated by the operations at that location during its existence, and

WHEREAS at least 2 individuals spoke to the efforts made by the applicant to prevent any problems at his existing establishment, and

WHEREAS the applicant spoke of his desire to be the same good neighbor at 116 East 60th Street as he is at 219 East 59th Street, and

WHEREAS the applicant agreed to take extra efforts during the reconstruction of the currently deteriorating premises to minimize the possibility of noise and odors exiting onto the street, including creating a double entry doorway, and

WHEREAS the applicant agreed to install security cameras both inside and outside the establishment

WHEREAS the applicant agreed to have 4 licensed security personal on-site every evening from 6pm to closing, in order to help address the resident's concerns over potentially misbehaving patrons, and

WHEREAS the applicant agreed to provide his cell phone number to the co-op board at 118 East 60th Street to facilitate their ability to reach him 24 hours a day should any issues arise, and

WHEREAS the applicant agreed to the following hours of operation:

Monday to Wednesday – 10am to 2:00am Thursday to Saturday – 10am to 3:00am Sunday – Noon to 2:00am

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the application is Approved

Please advise this office of any action taken regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Viest

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Cc: Honorable Bill de Blasio, Mayor of the City of New York

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Honorable Dan Quart, NYS Assembly Member, 73rd Assembly District

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Honorable Daniel Garodnick, NYC Council Member, 4th Council District