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## The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

April 16, 2015

Heather L Bermingham, Deputy Director of Licensing Licensing Department Department of Consumer Affairs 42 Broadway New York, New York 10004

RE: Brasserie Cognac East Corp., 963 Lexington Avenue-Modification application for an unenclosed sidewalk café with 9 tables and 22 chairs. DCA #1469257-DCA. Due Date May 11, 2015.

Dear Ms. Bermingham:

At the April 15, 2015 Full Board meeting of Manhattan Community Board 8, the following recommendation was adopted by a vote of 27 in favor, 0 opposed, and 5 abstentions.

WHEREAS there are no changes to the café, and

WHEREAS there were members of the public speaking both in support and opposition to the cafe, and

WHEREAS the concerns of the public involved sidewalk obstruction from café patrons and issues related to patrons and workers smoking in the establishment's general area, and

WHEREAS due to issues with clearance from existing tree guards, the Community Board had previously approved an increase from 5 tables/10 chairs to only 7 tables/14 chairs, and

WHEREAS the applicant has had the tree guards removed and now wishes to pursue their original modification to 9 tables/22 chairs, and

WHEREAS the applicant agreed to instruct their workers to better police the accumulation of cigarette butts on the sidewalks surrounding their establishment, and

WHEREAS the applicant agreed to include the following stipulations in their license:

- a) The sidewalk café will only be operated with the tables and chairs placed exactly as specified on the approved plans filed with DCA
- b) They will prevent patrons from placing strollers and other items outside the licensed café area and thus create an intrusion into the required clear sidewalk path

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the application is **approved**.

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

Sincerely,

James & Clipus

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