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### **Community Board 10 Resolution Calling for a Moratorium on New/Additional or Expansion of Existing City, State, Federal, or Private Substance Abuse Facilities in Central Harlem**

**Whereas**, The Central Harlem community has suffered the negative social and economic impact associated with drug and alcohol abuse and acknowledges the need for such substance abuse treatment facilities; and

**Whereas**, Service providers have not been accountable to the board or the wider Harlem community for the impacts of facilities or the results of services and treatments on clients, including but not limited to Harlem residents; and

**Whereas**, Community Board 10 has publicly and repeatedly voiced concern regarding the over-saturation of alcohol and substance abuse facilities located in Central Harlem most notably within our 197-a Plan and Statement of Needs Document; and

**Whereas**, Central Harlem is home to the largest Methadone Treatment facility in the City of New York; and

**Whereas**, Existing today is no less than 13 separate and distinct Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Service Centers (listed herein as an appendix to this Resolution); and

**Whereas**, Community Board 10 supports the concept of 'fair share' regarding such facilities be they City, State, Federal, or private, and feels the Community has borne the weight of more than its 'fair share'; and

**Whereas**, Community Board 10 seeks to preserve, stabilize and enhance the existing residential fabric and ensure that neither new construction nor new property uses undermine residential cohesiveness or retail continuity; so

**Therefore be it resolved**, that Community Board 10 Calls for a Moratorium on New/Additional or Expansion of Existing City, State, Federal, or Private Substance Abuse Facilities in Central Harlem.

**APPROVED BY CB 10 HEALTH COMMITTEE October, 2007**