## **Bowery Wine Company**

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Amanda Burden, Chair City Planning Commission 22 Reade Street New York, NY 10007-1216

## Dear Chair Burden:

The Bowery Wine Company, as merchants, patrons and lovers of the Bowery, supports common sense development in the area. We feel that oversaturation and high- rise development will compromise its integrity and character. More importantly, it will flush the artists, musicians and long time residents out of yet another Manhattan neighborhood leaving them with no affordable housing. For these reasons, we strongly support the East Bowery Preservation Plan, which would protect the low-rise character on the Bowery and preserve this historic and important part of New York's architectural and cultural heritage.

Please consider these things when approving zoning for the area.

Thank you,

Chris Sileo and Leonard Linar

Owners