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Attachment: Int. No. 804-A (FINAL).docx

Hi Council Member, Brewer,

In response to your follow-up regarding the bright lights at The Ameritania Hotel, located 230 West 54th Street, the property is located within a C6-7 commercial zoning district. Under the current NYC Zoning Resolution, illuminated and flashing advertising signs are permitted in this district. Sections 32-644 and 32-655 of the NYC Zoning Resolution do not impose limitations on the size, brightness or height of such signs in C6-7 districts.

Council Member Epstein introduced Bill # 998 on August 13, 2026, and you are listed as a co-sponsor. This bill addresses buildings classified as B, E or M, and limits nighttime illumination for certain buildings.

Another piece of legislation addressing outdoor lighting is Bill # 804-2026, sponsored by Council Wong. This bill would limit outdoor lighting in certain residential districts. However, its provisions would not apply to commercial districts such as C6-7. Int. No. 804 is attached for reference.

Best,

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