



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A

"Serving the Foggy Bottom and West End communities of Washington, D.C."

August 22, 2016

Mr. Donovan Anderson
Chairperson
Alcoholic Beverage Control Board
2000 14th Street, NW, S400
Washington, DC 20009
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**RE: Application by "Watergate Hotel Lessee, LLC" (dba "Watergate Hotel,"
ABRA- 091162) to Renew the Establishment's Retailer's Class "C" Hotel
License at 2650 Virginia Avenue NW**

Dear Chairperson Anderson,

At its regular meeting on July 20, 2016, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A ("ANC 2A" or "Commission") considered the above-referenced matter. With seven of seven commissioners present, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission voted unanimously by a vote of (7-0-0) to not protest the renewal of the Watergate Hotel's Retailer's Class "C" Hotel License, but to write a letter to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board in support of the protest filed by the West End Citizens Association (WECA). Please note that, in submitting this letter, ANC 2A withdraws the previous letter regarding this matter that the Commission submitted to the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration on August 11, 2016.

ANC 2A welcomes and applauds WECA's efforts to seek a modification of any provisions of the hotel's license that may prove disruptive to our neighbors' ability to enjoy their property in peace, order and quiet, including provisions that allow for the disruptive impacts of live and electronic music being played on the hotel's summer gardens.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter and please feel free to reach out if we can provide additional information or be of assistance. Commissioners William Kennedy Smith (2A04@anc.dc.gov) and Patrick Kennedy (2A01@anc.dc.gov) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

Patrick Kennedy
Chairperson



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CC: Sara Maddux, President, West End Citizens Association
Barbara Kahlow, Secretary-Treasurer, West End Citizens Association
Stephen O’Brien, Counsel for the Applicant