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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD
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MEETING

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IN THE MATTER OF: :
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Zewdie, Inc. t/a Dukem :
Ethiopian Market & Restaurant : Show Cause
1114 U Street, NW : Hearing
Retailer CR - ANC-1B : (Status)
License No. 72469 :
Case #11-CMP-00218 :
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(Substantial Change without :
Board Approval) :
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January 11, 2012

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board met in the Alcoholic Beverage Control Hearing Room, 2000 14th Street, N.W., Suite 400S Washington, D.C. 20009, Chairperson Ruthanne Miller, presiding.

PRESENT:

RUTHANNE MILLER, Chairperson
NICK ALBERTI, Member
DONALD BROOKS, Member

HERMAN JONES, Member
CALVIN NOPHLIN, Member
MIKE SILVERSTEIN, Member
JEANNETTE MOBLEY, Member

ALSO PRESENT:

MICHAEL STERN, OAG

1 P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S

2 (10:45 a.m.)

3 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: The next Show
4 Cause (Status) Hearing is for Case No. 11-CMP-
5 00218, Zewdie, Inc. t/a Dukem Ethiopian Market
6 & Restaurant, License No. 72469.

7 MR. STERN: Michael Stern
8 representing the District of Columbia.

9 MS. GEDRU: Hiwot Gedru, H-I-W-O-T
10 G-E-D-R-U, secretary to restaurant.

11 MR. ZEWDIE: Getachew Zewdie, G-E-
12 T-A-C-H-E-W Z-E-W-D-I-E. I'm the corporate
13 officer for the Dukem Ethiopian Restaurant.

14 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Good morning.

15 MR. ZEWDIE: Good morning.

16 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Sir, did you
17 receive Notice of Show Cause?

18 MR. ZEWDIE: Yes, we did.

19 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Did you read
20 it and understand it?

21 MR. ZEWDIE: Yes, sir.

22 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay. Okay.

1 And so you waive my reading of the notice into
2 the record? Okay. Thank you.

3 MS. GEDRU: Yes.

4 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Mr. Stern,
5 are there any preliminary matters?

6 MR. STERN: Yes.

7 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay.

8 MR. STERN: The parties have
9 reached an agreement, which we hope the Board
10 will accept as an offer in compromise to
11 resolve the charges. The establishment will
12 pay a fine of \$1,000 to be paid within 45
13 days.

14 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: All right.
15 And I just want to confirm that you two are
16 agreeable to that settlement of paying \$1,000
17 within 45 days?

18 MR. ZEWDIE: Yes.

19 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay. Any
20 comments by the Board, questions? Okay. Then
21 I would move that we accept that settlement.

22 Mr. Nophlin?

1 MEMBER NOPHLIN: I agree.

2 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Mr. Brooks?

3 MEMBER BROOKS: I agree.

4 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Mr. Alberti?

5 MEMBER ALBERTI: I agree.

6 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Mr.

7 Silverstein?

8 MEMBER SILVERSTEIN: I agree.

9 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Ms. Mobley?

10 MEMBER MOBLEY: I agree.

11 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Mr. Jones?

12 MEMBER JONES: I disagree.

13 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay.

14 MEMBER JONES: Vehemently.

15 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Would you
16 like to make any comments, Mr. Jones, or leave
17 it at that?

18 MEMBER JONES: Leave it at that.

19 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay. Then
20 the vote is 6 to -- oh, I didn't vote? Okay.
21 I agree. So the vote is 6-1 to accept the
22 settlement.

1 So that will conclude your case
2 here today. And you will pay the \$1,000
3 within 45 days to settle this case. Okay.
4 Thank you very much.

5 MR. ZEWDIE: I have a question for
6 you.

7 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Yes, sir?

8 MR. ZEWDIE: So we don't have to
9 show up for a February hearing?

10 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: That's
11 correct. This is instead of a hearing. There
12 is no more hearings. The case will be
13 concluded.

14 MR. ZEWDIE: Thank you.

15 MS. GEDRU: Thank you.

16 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Thank you.

17 MR. STERN: Chairperson, I believe
18 that's all I have. May I be excused?

19 MEMBER ALBERTI: Absolutely.

20 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay. Thank
21 you very much.

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(Status) Hearing in the above-entitled matter
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