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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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Tropicalia Project, LLC :
t/a Bossa Brazilian Bistro : Protest
2463 18th Street NW : Hearing
Retailer CR : (Status)
License No. 84507 :
Renewal Application :
Case No. 13-PRO-00032 :
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June 19, 2013

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board met in Alcoholic Beverage Control Hearing Room, Reeves Building, 2000 14th Street N.W., Washington, D.C., Chairperson Nick Alberti presiding.

PRESENT:
NICK ALBERTI, Member
DONALD BROOKS, Member
MICHAEL SILVERSTEIN, Member

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(9:45 a.m.)

CHAIRMAN ALBERTI: The next case I'm going to call is 13-PRO-00032, Tropicalia Project, LLC, trading as Bossa Brazilian Bistro. License Number 84505.

Parties forward, introductions please.

MR. BIANCO: Good morning, my name is Richard Bianco. I represent the applicant and with me I have Wagner de Pinho who is the owner of the entity.

CHAIRMAN ALBERTI: It's Pinho? Thank you. Good morning. And?

MR. JAMES: Denis James representing Kalorama Citizens Association.

CHAIRMAN ALBERTI: Good morning everyone. This is a Protest Status Hearing. Are there any preliminary matters?

MR. BIANCO: I don't think there are. We were unable to reach a resolution, obviously, so I think we're ready to proceed

1 to protest.

2 CHAIRMAN ALBERTI: Okay. Very
3 good. So we will set the protest hearing for
4 July 31st, 2013 at 4:00 p.m.

5 Were you present when I read the
6 instructions for the protest? I'm just going
7 to go over them briefly.

8 MR. BIANCO: Ms. Fashbaugh was
9 also good enough to provide us some advanced
10 copies of this stuff.

11 CHAIRMAN ALBERTI: Okay, so I'm
12 going to ask this. Everyone has the copies of
13 the Protest Information Form. You need to
14 submit the Protest Information Form at least
15 seven days before the hearing.

16 If we don't receive copies your
17 license application or your protest may be
18 subject to dismissal. And the document needs
19 to be submitted to both the opposing party as
20 well as to ABRA.

21 You will have 90 minutes to
22 present your case at the protest hearing, that

1 includes direct and cross examination of
2 witnesses. And I ask you again to be prepared
3 to keep the protest focused on the issues at
4 hand.

5 So are there any other questions?
6 Great. Thank you, that concludes this case.
7 Thank you for coming.

8 (Whereupon, the meeting/hearing in
9 the above-entitled matter was concluded at
10 9:48 p.m.)

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