

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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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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TM Liquors             :
t/a Big Ben Liquors   :
1300 North Capitol St. NW :   Protest (Status)
                        :   Hearing
Retailer A            :
License No. 60652     :
ANC 5E                :
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JULY 29, 2015

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

PRESENT:

- RUTHANNE MILLER, Chairperson
- DONALD BROOKS, Member
- NICK ALBERTI, Member
- HECTOR RODRIGUEZ, Member
- MIKE SILVERSTEIN, Member
- JAMES SHORT, Member

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

2 9:43 a.m.

3 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay, let's try
4 the third one. Case No. PRO-00054 Big Ben
5 Liquors.

6 Big Ben Liquors is located at 1300
7 North Capitol Street, Northwest, License No.
8 60652 in ANC 5E. Good morning.

9 MR. SINGH: Good morning.

10 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Would you
11 identify yourself for the record?

12 MR. SINGH: My name is Harjinder
13 Singh, owner of the TM Liquors, trading as Big
14 Ben Liquors.

15 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay.

16 MR. SINGH: At 1300 North Capitol
17 Street, Northwest.

18 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Are there any
19 Protestants here for the Big Ben Liquors case?

20 (No audible response.)

21 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: I don't know
22 what's happening this morning.

1 Okay, yes, I'd like to -- have you
2 been in touch with the Protestants today or --
3 you know, about them coming down? No?

4 MR. SINGH: I try couple of times, but
5 they don't respond to my calls, yes.

6 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay, so, what I
7 want to ask you to do is the same thing I've
8 asked the previous two cases.

9 It's 9:45 a.m. The case was called
10 for 9:30 a.m. If you could go back into the
11 audience, and we'll recall your case, either when
12 they come in or at the end of the protest hearing
13 cases, we'll come back and call the cases we've
14 passed.

15 MR. SINGH: Okay.

16 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: All right. Thank
17 you.

18 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter
19 went off the record at 9:44 a.m. and resumed at
20 10:30 a.m.)

21 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay, the next
22 case that we passed is Case No. 15-PRO-00054, Big

1 Ben Liquors, located at 1300 North Capitol
2 Street, Northwest. Good morning.

3 MR. SINGH: Good morning, again.

4 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Could you put
5 your name on the record again please?

6 MR. SINGH: Harjinder Singh, owner of
7 Big Ben Liquors.

8 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay, Mr. Singh,
9 thank you for your patience, and this is very
10 similar to the previous case.

11 There is nobody here on behalf of
12 Protestants for Kovaks Liquors, is there?

13 (No audible response.)

14 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay, not seeing
15 any, I would move that we dismiss this protest,
16 also pursuant to Rule 1603.3 of our regulations.

17 I'm sorry, anybody here from Big
18 Ben's? Okay, no, I know you are, sir, but again,
19 I mean, on behalf of Protestants.

20 Okay, confirming again, that nobody is
21 here for Big Ben's, on behalf of the Protestants,
22 and we've waited over an hour. It is now 10:32

1 a.m., as has the Applicant.

2 Therefore, again, I guess I was moving
3 to dismiss, pursuant Rule 1603.3, failure to
4 appear. Can make -- which may result in
5 dismissal of a protest. Do I have a second?

6 MEMBER SILVERSTEIN: Second.

7 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Mr. Silverstein
8 seconded the motion. All those in favor, say
9 aye.

10 (Chorus of ayes.)

11 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: All those
12 opposed?

13 (No audible response.)

14 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: All those
15 abstaining?

16 (No audible response.)

17 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: The motion passes
18 5-0-0. The protest is dismissed. The
19 Protestants will have the opportunity to file for
20 reinstatement within 10 days of the order denying
21 -- dismissing the protest.

22 Okay, thank you very much, sir.

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MR. SINGH: Thank you.

(Whereupon, the above-entitled matter
went off the record at 10:32 a.m.)

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