

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

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ROLL CALL HEARING

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IN THE MATTER OF: :

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Kelemewa Corporation t/a :

Pure Nightclub and Lounge :

1326 U Street, NW :

Retailer CN :

License Renewal :

License #ABRA-024613 :

Case #13-PRO-00138 :

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2013

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board met in the Alcoholic Beverage Control Hearing Room, 1250 U Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., Ms. La Verne Fletcher, Agent, presiding.

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

(10:07 a.m.)

MR. KLINE: You don't have Kelemewa Corporation t/a Pure? Is that off the agenda?

AGENT FLETCHER: Which one is that, Mr. Kline?

MR. KLINE: Kelemewa Corporation t/a Pure Nightclub and Lounge.

AGENT FLETCHER: Pure? Yes. I have Pure. Is that the one that you are sitting for right now?

MR. KLINE: Yes.

AGENT FLETCHER: Okay.

MR. KLINE: That's second on the agenda.

AGENT FLETCHER: Okay. All right. So I should be calling Pure?

MR. KLINE: Please.

AGENT FLETCHER: Okay. I am not calling the case of XII Restaurant and Lounge at this moment, so if you could disregard

1           that?

2                           And I'm calling the matter of Pure  
3           Nightclub and Lounge.   Pure Nightclub and  
4           Lounge.   Are the protestants here in the  
5           matter of Pure Nightclub and Lounge?   This is  
6           Case No. 13-PRO-00138, Kelemewa Corporation  
7           t/a Pure Nightclub and Lounge, 1326 U Street,  
8           N.W., License No. ABRA-024613.   This is a  
9           Retailer CN, license renewal.

10                           The protest issues are adverse  
11           impact on peace, order and quiet.

12                           My name is La Verne Fletcher and  
13           I'll be conducting the Roll Call Hearing as  
14           the Board's Agent pursuant to DC Official Code  
15           1601.2.

16                           Introductions beginning with the  
17           applicant.

18                           MR. KLINE:   Good morning, Ms.  
19           Fletcher.   Andrew Kline on behalf of the  
20           applicant.

21                           MR. HAILEGORGHIS:   My name is  
22           Derege Hailegorghis, the owner of Pure Lounge.

1                   AGENT FLETCHER: Could you state  
2                   that again and spell it for the record?

3                   MR. HAILEGORGHIS: Last name is H-  
4                   A-I-L-E-G-O-R-G-H-I-S.

5                   AGENT FLETCHER: H-A-L-I?

6                   MR. HAILEGORGHIS: No, H-A-I-L-E.

7                   AGENT FLETCHER: H-A-I-L-E.

8                   MR. HAILEGORGHIS: G-O-R.

9                   AGENT FLETCHER: G-O-R.

10                  MR. HAILEGORGHIS: G-H-I-S.

11                  AGENT FLETCHER: G-H-I?

12                  MR. HAILEGORGHIS: S. S like Sam.

13                  AGENT FLETCHER: Thank you.

14                  That's the last name?

15                  MR. HAILEGORGHIS: Yes. First  
16                  name is D-E-R-E-G-E.

17                  AGENT FLETCHER: D as in dog?

18                  MR. HAILEGORGHIS: D like David.

19                  AGENT FLETCHER: Okay. D?

20                  MR. HAILEGORGHIS: E-R-E-G-E.

21                  AGENT FLETCHER: Thank you.

22                  MR. KLINE: Ms. Fletcher, the lone

1 protestant is ANC-1B. They have -- we have  
2 worked with them. They are satisfied. If you  
3 have not received a formal withdrawal of their  
4 protest, we would ask that it be dismissed  
5 because they are not here today. But I did  
6 speak to them as late as last evening and they  
7 confirmed with me that they are satisfied.

8 AGENT FLETCHER: Okay. Thank you,  
9 Mr. Kline. The -- I have made a note that the  
10 ANC-1B intends to withdraw the protest because  
11 they are not present here today. The protest  
12 is dismissed and upon receipt of the  
13 withdrawal, we will issue a Board order  
14 withdrawing the protest.

15 MR. KLINE: Thank you.

16 AGENT FLETCHER: Thank you. The  
17 Roll Call Hearing is concluded.

18 (Whereupon, the Roll Call Hearing  
19 in the above-entitled matter was concluded at  
20 10:10 a.m.)  
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| <b>A-I-L-E-G-O-R-...</b><br>4:4<br><b>a.m</b> 2:2 5:20<br><b>above-entitled</b> 5:19<br><b>ABRA-024613</b> 1:12<br>3:8<br><b>adverse</b> 3:10<br><b>agenda</b> 2:5,16<br><b>Agent</b> 1:22 2:6,10<br>2:14,17,20 3:14<br>4:1,5,7,9,11,13,17<br>4:19,21 5:8,16<br><b>Alcoholic</b> 1:3,18,19<br><b>ANC-1B</b> 5:1,10<br><b>Andrew</b> 3:19<br><b>applicant</b> 3:17,20 | <b>E</b>  | <b>L</b>  | <b>Q</b>  | <b>X</b>   |
| <b>B</b>   | <b>E-R-E-G-E</b> 4:20<br><b>evening</b> 5:6   | <b>La</b> 1:21 3:12<br><b>late</b> 5:6<br><b>license</b> 1:11,12 3:8<br>3:9<br><b>lone</b> 4:22<br><b>Lounge</b> 1:9 2:9,21<br>3:3,4,5,7,22   | <b>quiet</b> 3:11   | <b>XII</b> 2:21  |
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| <b>D</b> 4:17,18,19<br><b>D-E-R-E-G-E</b> 4:16<br><b>D.C</b> 1:21<br><b>David</b> 4:18<br><b>DC</b> 3:14<br><b>Derege</b> 3:22   | <b>H</b>  | <b>O</b>  | <b>T</b>  | <b>10:07</b> 2:2<br><b>10:10</b> 5:20<br><b>12</b> 1:14<br><b>1250</b> 1:20<br><b>13-PRO-00138</b><br>1:12 3:6<br><b>1326</b> 1:10 3:7<br><b>1601.2</b> 3:15 |
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