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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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Historic Restaurants, Inc. :

t/a Washington Firehouse : Protest

1626 North Capitol Street, NW: Hearing

Retailer CT - ANC-5E :

License No. 92685 :

Case #13-PRO-00131 :

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(New Application) :

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December 4, 2013

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board met in the Alcoholic Beverage Control Hearing Room, Reeves Building, 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

MIKE SILVERSTEIN, Member

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(5:22 p.m.)

CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay. I'm calling the case of 13-PRO-00131, Washington Firehouse located at 1626 North Capitol Street, N.W., License No. 92685, in ANC-5E. This is a Protest Hearing.

So I know there were a lot of parties in this case. Why don't we start on my right, if you could introduce yourself for the record?

MR. BAYLOR: My name is Vincent Baylor and I'm the general manager at the Firehouse. Last name B-A-Y-L-O-R.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay.

MR. OSTADHOSSEINI: Abdol Ostadhosseini, the owner of the Firehouse, Washington Firehouse.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Could you spell your last name, please?

MR. OSTADHOSSEINI: Last name O-S-T-A-D-H-O-S-S-E-I-N-I.

1 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: And you are  
2 the owner?

3 MR. OSTADHOSSEINI: Yes.

4 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay.

5 MR. SHIRAFKAN: Makan Shirafkan,  
6 counsel for the applicant. S-H-I-R-A-F, as in  
7 Frank, K-A-N, as in Nancy.

8 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay. Thank  
9 you. All right.

10 MS. QUINN: Hi, I'm Teri Janine  
11 Quinn. I'm the President of the Bloomingdale  
12 Civic Association and Vice Chair of ANC-5E.

13 MS. PINKNEY: Good evening. I am  
14 Sylvia M. Pinkney. I am the leader for the  
15 Group of Five.

16 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay.

17 MS. LEWIS: Hi, I'm Karla Lewis  
18 and I am the designated representative along  
19 with Kathie Shahan for the Group of 43.

20 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Thank you.

21 MS. LYNCH: Hi, I'm Felicia Lynch,  
22 F-E-L-I-C-I-A. I'm the designated

1 representative for the Group of 11.

2 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay. Thank  
3 you. And thank you all for your patience in  
4 waiting for us today.

5 MR. SHIRAFKAN: Absolutely. Madam  
6 Chair, there is a preliminary matter, just an  
7 update. There seems to be an epiphany and I  
8 think we are close. I think we are close to  
9 reaching an agreement and thereby we have  
10 inconvenienced your calendar and ask -- we are  
11 going to request to see if you could schedule  
12 us -- my understanding is that you are willing  
13 to schedule us for January 22nd if possible,  
14 so that during this time I think the parties  
15 can reach an agreement.

16 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: So that was  
17 good that you had to hang around here a little  
18 bit. Okay. So there -- is anybody opposed to  
19 that or all parties would like that? Okay.  
20 Everybody agrees to that. Okay.

21 Any objections from the Board?  
22 Okay. I understand that is an available date.

1 So we will grant your continuance to January  
2 22nd. I don't know if you were given a time  
3 yet, were you?

4 MR. SHIRAFKAN: 4:30, Madam.  
5 January 22nd at 4:30.

6 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay.

7 MR. SHIRAFKAN: And we apologize  
8 for the inconvenience and thank you for taking  
9 this time for us.

10 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay. And  
11 hopefully we will be able to start at 4:30  
12 next time. Oh, no, we may not need to start,  
13 because you may settle.

14 MR. SHIRAFKAN: Yes, ma'am.

15 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay.

16 MR. SHIRAFKAN: That's the goal.

17 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay. That's  
18 the goal. Great. Well, thank you very much.

19 MEMBER SILVERSTEIN: Thank you  
20 all.

21 MS. QUINN: Thank you.

22 MEMBER SILVERSTEIN: I observe

1 that Hanukkah came early this year and perhaps  
2 epiphany has also come a month and two days  
3 early.

4 MR. SHIRAFKAN: Yes.

5 MEMBER SILVERSTEIN: I wish you  
6 all good luck over Christmas as perhaps you  
7 might come to a settlement.

8 MR. SHIRAFKAN: Thank you,  
9 appreciate it.

10 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Yes. Happy  
11 Holidays.

12 MS. QUINN: New Years is in that  
13 reference.

14 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay. So  
15 that completes our hearings then for this  
16 afternoon, but we will be back to do our  
17 agenda.

18 (Whereupon, the Protest Hearing in  
19 the above-entitled matter was concluded at  
20 5:26 p.m.)  
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