

**THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD**

**In the Matter of:**

Medhanie Weldegergish  
t/a 1618 Variety Market

Application for a Single Sales Exception  
for a Retailer's Class B License

License No. ABRA-084582  
Order No. 2011-374

at premises  
1618 8<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20001

Medhanie Weldegergish, t/a 1618 Variety Market (Applicant)

Alexander M. Padro, Chairperson, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 2C

**BEFORE:** Nick Alberti, Interim Chairperson  
Donald Brooks, Member  
Herman Jones, Member  
Calvin Nophlin, Member  
Mike Silverstein, Member

**ORDER ON APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION  
TO SINGLE SALE MORATORIUM AND  
ON VOLUNTARY AGREEMENT**

The official records of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (Board) reflect that Medhanie Weldegergish, t/a 1618 Variety Market, located at 1618 8<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., Applicant for an Exception to Single Sales Restriction, and ANC 2C have entered into a Voluntary Agreement (Agreement), dated April 6, 2011, setting forth the terms and conditions that governs the operation of the Applicant's establishment and incorporating an Agreement to waive the single sales restriction.

On August 3, 2011, the Board held a Fact Finding Hearing to consider the Application filed by Medhanie Weldegergish, t/a 1618 Variety Market, a Retailer's Class B license, located at 1618 8<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., for an Exception to Single Sales Restriction that currently exists in Ward 2.

The official records of the Board reflect that the Applicant has provided the required information, including a letter from ANC 2C supporting the Application and a Voluntary Agreement. The Parties have agreed that the Applicant is authorized to sell selected types of beer and ale stipulated in the Agreement.

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The Board considered several factors in reaching its decision. This included the absence of any primary or secondary tier violations within twelve months preceding the date of the Application and ANC 2C supports this request, as demonstrated in the Agreement among the Parties to waive the single sales restriction for this establishment, subject to the terms and conditions therein.

For these reasons, the Board finds no significant adverse impacts and grants the Application. The Agreement has been reduced to writing and has been properly executed and filed with the Board. The Applicant and Chairperson Alexander M. Padro, on behalf of ANC 2C, are signatories to the Agreement.

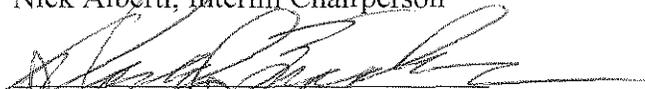
Accordingly, it is this 12<sup>th</sup> day of October 2011, **ORDERED** that:

1. The Application filed by Medhanie Weldegergish, t/a 1618 Variety Market for an Exception to the Single Sales Restriction at the location of 1618 8<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., is **GRANTED**;
2. The above-referenced Voluntary Agreement submitted by the Applicant and ANC 2C to govern the operations of the Applicant's establishment is **APPROVED** and **INCORPORATED** as part of this Order; and
3. Copies of this Order shall be sent to the Applicant and to ANC 2C.

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Pursuant to 23 DCMR § 1719.1 (April 2004), any Party adversely affected may file a Motion for Reconsideration of this decision within ten (10) days of service of this Order with the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration, 2000 14<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Suite 400S, Washington, D.C. 20009.

VOLUNTARY AGREEMENT BETWEEN ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 2C  
AND 1618 VARIETY MARKET, LLC

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2C ("the Commission") and 1618 Variety Market, LLC ("the Establishment"), having agreed on a number of provisions related to permitting the sale of a limited number of types of containers of alcoholic beverages currently covered under the Ward 2 Single Sales Ban, agree to the terms and conditions detailed in this Agreement.

The Establishment currently holds a Retailer's Class B license, #084582, issued by the District of Columbia Alcoholic Beverage Control Administration (ABRA), and wishes to sell specific types of single units of beer and ale that are currently precluded from sale under the Ward 2 Single Sales Ban.

The Establishment agrees that it will only sell those beers and ales that are only available for sale as single bottles and cans, specifically, specialty, microbrew, and imported beers that are not sold in six packs or other multiple unit packaging. The Establishment agrees not to sell any single beers that are sold in six packs or other multiple unit packaging provided by the manufacturer. The Establishment agrees to observe and obey all ABRA regulations and the laws of the District of Columbia at all times.

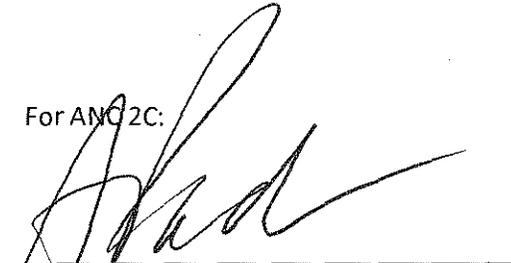
As a condition of the Commission's support for an exemption from the Ward 2 Single Sales Ban, the Establishment agrees to, at the Establishment's own expense, broom clean the entire sidewalks along the west side of the 1600 block of 8th Street, NW, and the south side of the 800 block of Rhode Island Avenue, NW, during all days the Establishment is in operation, picking up and disposing of any and all litter found on those sidewalks and the gutters along these block faces; and dispose of said litter via private trash service, not by placing such items or bags containing them in city garbage receptacles.

Both parties understand that no approval or support for an exemption from the Ward 2 Single Sales Ban is being granted by the Commission for the sale of any items other than those types of products and packaging described in this Agreement as being acceptable for sale by the Establishment. All other types of products are not subject to relief from the Ward 2 Single Sales Ban, and under no circumstances shall this Agreement be construed to represent the Commission's support or approval of an exemption from the restrictions on the sales of such products that is currently in effect and enforceable.

In the event that either the District of Columbia Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration or the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, or both entities, reject, refuse to approve, or cannot enforce the conditions of this Agreement, the Commission's support for an exemption from the Ward 2 Single Sales Ban for the Establishment is null and void. Under no circumstances does the Commission support the sale of any types of products currently included in the Ward 2 Single Sales Ban except those specifically described in the Agreement. The Commission expressly opposes the granting of a blanket exemption from the Ward 2 Single Sales Ban for the Establishment.

Agreed this fifth day of October, 2011.

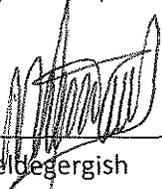
For ANC 2C:



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Alexander M. Padro  
Chair, ANC 2C

For 1618 Variety Market, LLC:



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Medhanie T. Weldegergish  
Owner

# ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 2C

PUBLIC MEETING

October 5, 2011, 6:30 PM

Watha T. Daniel/Shaw Neighborhood Library  
1630 7th Street, NW

## Agenda

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Approval of Agenda
3. PSA 308 Report: Lt. Jeffrey Carroll, Metropolitan Police Department
4. 421 P Street, NW: Request for Support for Public Space Permit for Curbs Cuts on 1600 Block of 5<sup>th</sup> Street, NW (KIPP DC,)
5. Shaw Middle School: Request for Support for Continued Operation of School
6. 1547 7th Street, NW: Request for Support for Removal of Blighted Status (Warrenton Group)
7. 624 9<sup>th</sup> Street, NW: Request for Support for Board of Zoning Adjustment Application to Allow Construction of New Office Building (MRP Realty)
8. Square 451 (Bounded by 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and K Streets and New York Avenue, NW): Request for Support for Board of Zoning Adjustment Application to Allow Construction of a New Office Building (American Association of Medical Colleges)
9. 1618 Market, 1618 8<sup>th</sup> Street, NW: Consideration of Changes to Voluntary Agreement Requested by ABC Board
10. 801 9<sup>th</sup> Street, NW: Request for Support for Long Term Installation of Banners (United States Mint)
11. National Race to End Women's Cancer, November 5, 2011: Request for Support for Street Closures (Foundation for Women's Cancer)
12. USA Science and Engineering Festival, April 27-29, 2012: Request for Support for Street Closures
13. Law Enforcement Ride and Run to Remember, October 16, 2011: Request for Support for Street Closures (National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund)
14. Prevention RV: Presentation (Department of Health Addiction Prevention and Recovery Administration)
15. American Civil Liberties Union: Presentation on DC Statehood
16. Commemorative Naming of Alleys: Consideration of Commission Position on Requests for Support
17. ANC 2C Grants Policy and Form: Notice of Intent to Revise Policy and Form
18. Issuance of Invitation to Mayor Gray to Attend a Future ANC 2C Meeting
19. Other New Business
20. Old Business
21. Approval of Minutes of 09/07/11 Meeting
22. Approval of Treasurer's Report
23. Approval of Expenses
24. Announcements
25. Adjournment

To receive ANC 2C notices via email, send your request to [ANC2Clist@gmail.com](mailto:ANC2Clist@gmail.com).