April 27, 2010

Toronto and East York Community Council
100 Queen St W
Toronto M5H 2N2

Dear Chair and Members,

Re: Liquor Licence- 81 Peter Street- Blvd Room

2092833 Ontario Inc. ("Applicant") will be submitting an application to the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario ("AGCO") for additional capacity to the existing liquor licence No. 800239 for the premises at 81 Peter Street, which carries on business under the name of Blvd Room ("Premises"). The Applicant is seeking additional capacity but has also made an application to transfer the licence to a third party.

There have been a number of Liquor Licence Act infractions by this Applicant as well as suspensions of the liquor licence at the Premises. The liquor licence was suspended for 25 days from April 4, 2010, which suspension will end on April 29, 2010. The Applicant admitted to the AGCO that on July 11, 2009, three drunken patrons were permitted in the Premises. The Applicant further admitted that on August 24, 2009, a fight occurred in the Premises. This Applicant has three prior suspensions of its liquor licence of 14 days, 30 days and 25 days.

The Premises are located in the City’s entertainment district among a large concentration of night clubs. There are serious concerns about the past and present conduct of the Applicant which affords reasonable grounds to believe that the Applicant will not carry on business in accordance with the law and with integrity and honesty. Other concerns of the residents relate to noise, litter, safety, security and other disturbances to residents in the area.

This proposed application for additional capacity to the liquor licence is not in the public interest having regard to the needs and wishes of the residents. As well, there are concerns about the conduct of the Applicant which should disqualify it from being issued the liquor licence.
RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That City Council direct the City Clerk to advise the Registrar of the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (“AGCO”) that the liquor licence application for Blvd Room, 81 Peter Street (“Premises”) is not in the public interest having regard to the needs and wishes of the residents. There are reasonable grounds to believe that because of the past and present conduct of the Applicant, 2092833 Ontario Inc. (“Applicant”) that the Applicant will not carry on business in accordance with the law and with integrity and honesty. The Registrar should issue a Proposal to Refuse the liquor licence application.

2. That City Council request the AGCO to provide the City with an opportunity to be made a party to any proceedings with respect to the Premises.

3. That the City Solicitor be authorized to attend all proceedings before the AGCO in this matter and be directed to take all necessary actions so as to give effect to this Motion, including adding and deleting conditions to any liquor licence issued for the Premises, in consultation with the Ward Councillor, which address issues including, but not limited to, noise, safety, security personnel, security cameras, crowd control, signage, lighting and litter.

Sincerely,

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