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January 23, 2015

Department of Safety and Inspections
City of Saint Paul
375 Jackson Street, Suite 220
Saint Paul, MN 55101

Dear Madam/Sir:

RE: On Sale Liquor License Application – The Terrace at Iris Park, LLC

On December 17, 2014, The Terrace at Iris Park, LLC (The Terrace), submitted an application for a license to permit the sale of liquor to the residents of Episcopal Homes of Minnesota's affiliated companies. Because we also wish to have a license for the outdoor (patio) sale of liquor, we were informed of the additional requirement of consent from property owners and occupants within 300 feet of the proposed license location. This letter transmits signed consents as well as additional information regarding our efforts to obtain consent.

1. The DSI provided us with a list of the 8 properties from whom consent was required. We mailed a letter to each of the property owners of record on January 6. This mailing included a letter with description of the proposed site for outdoor sales; a consent form for signature; a map of our site; and a stamped, addressed return envelope. We received two signed consents by mail. On January 20, 2015, we walked to each of the other six properties to locate owners. We visited at both 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. We were able to obtain two additional signatures. No one answered the door at the other locations. Thus, to date, we have 50% of required signatures. The four consents obtained are attached to this letter. These are for the following properties:
 - 332923240022, 1835 University Avenue
 - 332923240029, 1900 University Avenue
 - 332923240058, 499 Lynnhurst Avenue W
 - 332923310101, 483 Lynnhurst Avenue W

Please note that in going to the physical property, we learned that John Kachel, who is the property owner of the business at 1831 University Avenue, told us that he is a 60% owner of the property along with his sister, Kristin Driessen (20% owner) who is listed in the property records of 1835 University. John Kachel signed the consent petition for the 1835 University Avenue property.

2. One of the property owners, Zane Neal (of 6 Oakley Avenue) has a mailing address in Wisconsin. Through an online database we found a phone number for Mr. Neal. However, we tried phoning multiple times and received no answer. There was no voicemail system.
3. We have sent a second mailing to the four property owners from whom we have not received consent. We are also trying to make contact with the mail carrier for the properties. She is also the mail carrier for all of Episcopal Homes and has been on this route for many years. We hope that she will be able to tell us whether the properties are

actually occupied and whether the occupants are the actual owners. For example, when we visited the property at 499 Lynnhurst, we met the renter who was able to provide the phone number of the owner. In that way, we made phone contact and were able to meet him to obtain his signature.

4. All of the individuals with whom we spoke expressed enthusiasm for the presence of Episcopal Homes in the community and had no reservations at all about an outdoor space where liquor would be sold to the residents of Episcopal Homes. We had shown them on our campus map the location of the patio, which is completely enclosed by Episcopal Homes buildings with no public access.
5. The Executive Director of the Union Park District Council, Julie Reiter, visited Episcopal Homes on January 6, and toured the location of the Heritage Club, the space where we have applied to sell liquor and its adjoining outdoor patio. She was very supportive of our presence in this neighborhood and expressed her personal favorable opinion of the range of amenities, including liquor service, we offer residents, who are the Council's constituents. She explained the process for obtaining District Council support for our liquor license applications. We are on the agenda for District Council's land use committee on January 27. We will ask them to approve a letter of support for our liquor license applications, in particular the patio license. We will also ask them to indicate their consent for a waiver of the 45 day waiting period for public notification.
6. DSI indicated in its initial response to our application that property records indicated the presence of Agape School at 1919 University Avenue. We contacted the school to learn that some time ago it relocated to 1037 Avenue, which is several miles from the location for the proposed liquor service area. We physically visited the property at 1919 University Avenue and found no evidence of either a school or a place of worship in that building.

We thank you for your assistance in this process of obtaining a liquor license, including outdoor sales, for the Episcopal Homes company, The Terrace at Iris Park, LLC. We will continue to provide you with information as we receive it. We would also be very happy to meet with you are to give you a tour of our property at any time. Please contact me or my staff, Anne Kamiri (651-632-8853, akamiri@ehomesmn.org) with questions or requests for additional information.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures