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January 14, 2010

Peter K. Beck Gray, Plant, Mooty, Mooty & Bennett, P.A. 500 IDS Center 80 South Eighth Street Minneapolis, MN 55402-3796

RE:

Liquor Outdoor Service Area (Patio) license application submitted by Grand American Restaurant Company d/b/a The Wild Onion for the premises located at 788 Grand Avenue in Saint Paul

License ID #: 19990002357

Dear Mr. Beck:

I have reviewed your amendments to the proposed Stipulated Facts that I sent to you on August 11, 2010. Unfortunately, I do not think we will be able to agree to a stipulation. You have stricken from the stipulation my proposed numbers 16-25. These facts are necessary in order for the Department of Safety and Inspections to agree to a stipulated record, rather than a hearing before an Administrative Law Judge.

This matter has been outstanding for a significant period of time. The original Notice of Violation was sent on July 29, 2010, with a requirement that a decision on how to proceed be made no later than August 9, 2010. I understand that you originally elected to choose a public hearing before the City Council based on an assumption that we could agree on stipulated facts. Since that appears be unlikely, I will again give you time to consider your original options.

At this time, you have two options on how to proceed:

1. If you wish to admit the facts but contest the penalty, you may have a public hearing before the Saint Paul City Council, you will need to send me a letter with a statement admitting the facts and requesting a public hearing. We will need to receive your letter by Friday, January 28, 2011. The matter will then be scheduled before the City Council for a public hearing to determine whether to deny your license. You will have an opportunity to appear before the Council and make a statement on your own behalf.

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2. If you dispute the above facts, you can request a hearing before an Administrative Law Judge. At that hearing both you and the City will be able to appear and present witnesses, evidence and cross-examine each other's witnesses. The St. Paul City Council will ultimately decide the case. If this is your choice, please advise me no later than Friday, January 28, 1011, and I will take the necessary steps to schedule the administrative hearing.

If you have not contacted me by that date, I will assume that you are not contesting the denial of your license. In that case, the matter will be placed on the Council's Consent Agenda for approval of the recommendation for denial.

Sincerely,

Rachel Tierney

Assistant City Attorney

Cc: Christine Rozek, Deputy Director of DSI

Joseph Schaefer, The Wild Onion, 788 Grand Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55105

Jay Salmen, 605 Satcliff Circle, Mendota Heights, MN 55118

Jeff Roy, Executive Director, Summit Hill Association, 860 St. Clair Avenue

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## AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY U.S. MAIL

COUNTY OF RAMSEY )

Julie Kraus, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that on the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ day of January, she served the attached RESPONSE TO AMENDED STIPULATED FACTS a true and correct copy thereof in an envelope addressed as follows:

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(which is the last known address of said person) depositing the same, with postage prepaid, in the United States mail at St. Paul, Minnesota.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this /4/1 day of January 2011

Notary Public

