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To the Legislative Hearing Officer:

Thank you for the information regarding the upcoming hearing on the proposed license expansions for the property located at 1672 Grand Avenue in St. Paul. I will be out of the state on the date of the hearing so I am sending this note to clarify the College's thoughts on the subject.

- We're supportive of the basic license application request.
- We are also generally in agreement with the comments from the Macalester Groveland Community Council.
- We'd like to see the outdoor hours of operation start no earlier and end no later than those of other similarly situated restaurants on the block. This is particularly important for patio areas with the capacity to serve large numbers of customers.
- We would support reasonable limits on the audio volume of outdoor amplified music.
- Any steps that are useful for keeping trash out of the alley would have our support although
 it may be hard to know whether this condition is related to the transfer of trash from one
 location to another or to loose items blowing from one or more of the containers along the
 alley.
- We think that parking questions are always important in this neighborhood but would leave any determination in that area to the city staff who manage those matters.

Best regards,

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