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Greetings,

We join with our neighbors Jean and Kevin Johnson at the Avon Place Condominium Association in objecting to extending Billy's on Grand's closing time to 2AM. We've learned in our eight years at Avon Place that it's much easier for the goings-on at a commercial address to disrupt the goings-on at a residential address than the other way around, and we can't think of a reason that, in a neighborhood that combines commercial and residential, the commercial side should somehow take priority. Among other problems, the city's failure to enforce noise ordinances in this immediate area (extremely loud car engines and stereos, motorcycles with illegal exhaust pipes) helps create an environment that at times can be nearly intolerable, and extended opening hours for Billy's are guaranteed to make that worse.

We at Avon Place vividly recall the nightmare of living near the Wild Onion. By contrast, Red Rabbit, the restaurant that replaced it, has proved to be a business that behaves responsibly toward its residential neighbors, and Billy's needs to follow that example. Both we and they should expect no less.

Our neighborhood's combination of commercial and residential properties is one of the things we love about it. But whereas a residence is unlikely to threaten or seriously inconvenience a business—or keep it up at night!—the opposite situation is easily possible and must be guarded against. Please help preserve some calm, quiet, and security in our neighborhood by not awarding Billy's a 2AM closing time.

Many thanks,

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