

September 26, 2024

444 Hall Avenue
St. Paul, Minnesota 55107

St. Paul City Council

Members of the St. Paul City Council:

We are writing to request that you deny Wabasha Brewery's request for a sound variance for October 5, 2024.

We live directly above the Wabasha Brewery. We can hear music from the Brewery whether we are outside our house, or inside our house with all the windows closed. This has been the case each time the Wabasha Brewery plays music, whether with or without a variance, which the Brewery owner did for an entire summer before he began requesting variances.

We will be celebrating my husband's 80th birthday on October 5. We have invited approximately 60 people to our home for a celebration in our back yard. We began planning this event several months ago, and sent invitations approximately a month ago. We have engaged a caterer. We have been planning to play background music which will not be audible on the Brewery property. If you allow Wabasha Brewery a sound variance for this date, it will completely change the nature of our celebration. We will not be able to enjoy the event we have planned.

Wabasha Brewery's property is quite large. The entertainment, drinking, and eating all occur in the front part of the lot abutting Wabasha. In general, there is no reason the Brewery should ever need a sound variance for their patrons to hear and enjoy music.

Sincerely,

Anne Kukowski

cc: Lyndsey Olson, City Attorney