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April 4, 2023

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Dear Mr. Fischbach:

I am writing in response to the University of St. Thomas application for expansion of the existing liquor on sale.

I object to approval of this application for the following reasons:

1. After study of the St. Thomas Mission and Charism statements, I do not identify sale of alcoholic beverages on campus to be consistent with the stated aims of these statements.
2. Sale of alcoholic beverages on campus is not necessary with many commercial neighborhood options for purchasing alcoholic beverages. I cannot justify having a university, subsidized with St. Paul taxpayers' dollars, compete with local businesses that pay taxes for services supplied by St. Paul.
3. I have assumed that St. Thomas is an educational and institution and not an entertainment venue. Residents of St. Paul are being asked to subsidize facilities, including those that provide alcoholic beverages, that have no educational purpose with their tax dollars.
4. I am concerned about the possibility of disruptive behavior in the neighborhood, the potential for vandalism, and the facilitation of underage drinking.
5. The recommended license conditions are not described in sufficient detail to be convincing. For example, " Licensee will adopt procedures to ensure that alcohol is not served to anyone under the age of twenty one(21)". What are these procedures? What is yearly Alcohol Awareness Training, specified in condition 4? How will the University of St. Thomas address" complaints filed with the City regarding sales of alcoholic beverages by UST"?

I ask you to make a recommendation to the City Council to not approve this application.

Sincerely yours,

Jerome H. Abrams
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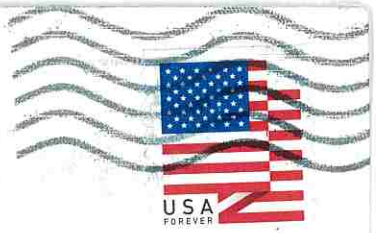

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