# THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

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In the Matter of:	)	
MHG Café Dupont, LLC	)	
t/a Circa at Dupont	)	
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Holder of a	) License No.	ABRA-076074
Retailer's Class CR License	) Order No.	2013-377
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at premises	)	
1601 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.	)	
Washington, D.C. 20009	)	
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MHG Café Dupont, LLC, t/a Circa at Dupont (Licensee)

Will Stephens, Chairperson, on behalf of Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 2B

**BEFORE:** Ruthanne Miller, Chairperson

Nick Alberti, Member Donald Brooks, Member Mike Silverstein, Member Herman Jones, Member

#### ORDER ON SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

The official records of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (Board) reflect that MHG Café Dupont, LLC, t/a Circa at Dupont (Licensee), and ANC 2B have entered into a Settlement Agreement (Agreement), dated April 10, 2013, that governs the operation of the Licensee's establishment.

The Agreement has been reduced to writing and has been properly executed and filed with the Board. The Licensee and Chairperson Will Stephens and Commissioner Stephanie Maltz, on behalf of ANC 2B, are signatories to the Agreement.

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Accordingly, it is this 14<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2013, **ORDERED** that:

 The above-referenced Settlement Agreement submitted by the parties to govern the operations of the Licensee's establishment is APPROVED and INCORPORATED as part of this Order, except for the following modification:

Section 5 (Music) – The following sentence shall be modified to read as follows: "Applicant may provide background music."

The parties have agreed to this modification.

2. Copies of this Order shall be sent to the Licensee and ANC 2B.

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District of Columbia

Alcoholic Beverage Control Board

Ruthanne Miller, Chairperson

Nick Alberti, Member

Donald Brooks, Member

Mike Silverstein, Member

Herman Jones, Member

Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 25-433, any party adversely affected may file a Motion for Reconsideration of this decision within ten (10) days of service of this Order with the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration, 2000 14<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Suite 400S, Washington, DC 20009.

# 1601 Connecticut AVE NW

### **VOLUNTARY SETTLEMENT**

This Agreement, made and entered this 10th day of April 2013, by and between MHG Cafe Dupont, LLC t/a Circa at Dupont, 1601 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. (hereinafter the "Applicant") and Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B ("ANC 2B").

## RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Applicant has filed for a Class CR license to be issued by the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board of the District of Columbia for premises known as 1601 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.; and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B has protested the Application; and

WHEREAS, the parties desire to resolve the protest by Voluntary Settlement.

NOW, therefore, in consideration of the Recitals set forth above, and the mutual covenants in agreements hereinafter set forth, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. Trash Pick-up. Applicants shall arrange to have the trash picked up six (6) days a week (every day except Sunday), and to pick up trash and litter which might accumulate in the area surrounding the trash dumpster, and to clean said area.
- 2. Extermination. Applicant agrees to regularly schedule exterminator services for the entire building.
- 3. Noise. Applicant shall install a new HVAC system with a vibration pad. Applicant shall move the location of the exhaust fan so it is out of view and further back on the roof.
- 4. Hours of Operation. The hours of operation of the Applicant shall be 5:30 a.m. to 1:00 a.m., Sunday through Thursday, and

- 5:30 a.m. to 2:00 a.m., Friday and Saturday. The parties agree to meet to discuss extension of these hours after the establishment has been open a minimum of six (6) months to consider extension of the hours to those of surrounding businesses.
- 5. Music. Applicant shall provide background music. Applicant shall provide live music consisting of one instrument (e.g., piano, clarinet, guitar). Applicant shall have no disc jockey, no dancing and no cover charge. The entertainment will terminate at 11:00 p.m. on weekdays and 12:00 midnight on weekends.
- 6. Outdoor Summer Garden. The hours of the outdoor summer garden will close at the hours set forth on the Application, namely, 12:00 midnight, Sunday through Thursday, and until 1:00 am, Friday and Saturday. When the outdoor summer garden is closed, Applicant agrees to also close the exterior front windows.
- 7. Withdraw of protests. The Protestants hereby withdraw their Protest and join in with the Applicant in requesting the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board of the District of Columbia approve of the Application submitted by Applicant conditioned upon Applicant's compliance with the terms of this Agreement.

Signed by:

Will Stephens, ANC2B Chair

Stephanie Maltz, ANC2B03

Stephen P. Gavula, MCH Cafe Dupont Group

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MHG Café Dupont, I	LC	)		
t/a Circa at Dupont		)		
New Application for	a Retailer's	)		
Class CR License - re	enewal	)	License no.:	76074
at premise	S		Case no.:	61162-07/010P
1601 Connecticut Av	enue, N.W.	)	Order no.:	2007-019
Washington, D.C.		)		
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MHG Café Dupont, LLC, Applicant

David A. Bowie, Chairman, on behalf of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B, Protestant

BEFORE: Charles A. Burger, Chairperson

Vera M. Abbott, Member Judy A. Moy, Member

Audrey E. Thompson, Member Peter B. Feather, Member Albert G. Lauber, Member

### ORDER ON VOLUNTARY AGREEMENT AND WITHDRAWN PROTEST

The new application for a Retailer's Class "CR" License, having been protested, came before the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board ("Board") on January 31, 2007, in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 25-601 (2001). David A. Bowie, Chairman, on behalf of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B filed timely opposition by letter on December 28, 2006.

The official records of the Board reflect that the parties have reached an agreement that has been reduced to writing and has been properly executed and filed with the Board. Pursuant to the agreement, dated January 8, 2007, the Protestant has agreed to withdraw its protest, provided, however, the Board's approval of the pending application is conditioned upon the licensee's continuing compliance with the terms of the agreement.

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Accordingly, it is this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February 2007, **ORDERED** that:

- 1. The protest of David A. Bowie, Chairman, on behalf of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B, is WITHDRAWN;
- 2. The renewal application of MHG Café Dupont, LLC, t/a Circa at Dupont, for a Retailer's Class "CR" License at 1601 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., is **GRANTED**;
- 3. The above-referenced agreement is **INCORPORATED** as part of this Order; and
  - 4. Copies of this Order shall be sent to the Protestant and the Applicant.

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> District of Columbia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board

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Peter B. Feather, Member

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Pursuant to 23 DCMR § 1719.1 (April 2004), any party adversely affected may file a Motion for Reconsideration of this decision within ten (10) days of service of this Order with the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration, 941 North Capitol Street, N.E., Suite 7200, Washington, D.C. 20002.

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# **VOLUNTARY AGREEMENT**

This Agreement, made and entered this 8<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2007, by and between MHG Café Dupont, LLC t/a Circa at Dupont, 1601 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. (hereinafter the "Applicant") Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B ("ANC 2B"), and Ronald L. Wilson, Diego D'Ambrosio, Kathryn Kailian, Alan Skvirsky and Anexoria Skvirsky, separately and individually (hereinafter the "Protestants").

### RECITALS

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WHEREAS, ANC 2B and the individuals have protested the Application; and

WHEREAS, the parties desire to resolve the protest by Voluntary Agreement.

NOW, therefore, in consideration of the Recitals set forth above, and the mutual covenants in agreements hereinafter set forth, the parties agree as follows:

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- 7. Withdraw of Protests. The Protestants hereby withdraw their Protest and join in with the Applicant in requesting the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board of the District of Columbia approve of the Application submitted by Applicant conditioned upon Applicant's compliance with the terms of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

APPLICANT:

MHG Café Dupont, LLC

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

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MHG Café Dupont, LLC

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

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By:
Chairperson

By:
Ronald L. Wilson, Individually

By:\_\_\_\_\_\_ Kathryn Kailian, Individually

Ambrosio, Individually

By:

By: Alan Skvirsky, Individually

By: Anexora Shursky, Individually

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