

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

August 21, 2018

Mr. Matthew Marcou Chair, Public Space Committee District Department of Transportation 1100 4th Street SW, Third Floor Washington, DC 20004 PublicSpace.Committee@dc.gov

RE: Public Space Application by RARE Steakhouse & Tavern for a New, Un-Enclosed Sidewalk Café at 1595 I Street NW (DDOT #10681129)

Dear Chair Marcou:

At its regular meeting on August 8, 2018, the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission ("ANC 2B" or "Commission") considered the above-referenced matter. With 6 of 8 Commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission approved the following resolution by a vote of (6-0-0):

WHEREAS, RARE Steakhouse & Tavern has submitted a public space application for a new, un-enclosed sidewalk café with 10 tables, 20 seats, and 4 umbrellas at 1595 I Street NW.

WHEREAS, the proposed location is within ANC 2B,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B believes that sidewalk cafes are an important element in the urban ambiance and charm of the Dupont Circle community, while also promoting safety and economic development,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B recognizes that public space use is a privilege, not a right, and

WHEREAS, the public space application's proposed sidewalk cafe meets the ANC's published Public Space Guidelines, which state that sidewalk cafes should allow for a minimum of ten feet of sidewalk clearance.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports RARE Steakhouse & Tavern's public space application for a new, un-enclosed sidewalk cafe at 1595 I Street NW.

Commissioners Randy Downs (<u>2B05@anc.dc.gov</u>) and Daniel Warwick (<u>2B02@anc.dc.gov</u>) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

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Sincerely,

Daniel Warwick

Chair