

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

July 17, 2020

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 Emissary for an Expansion of the Establishment's Current Unenclosed Sidewalk Café at 2032 P Street NW (DDOT #10791695)

Dear Chair Marcou:

At its regular meeting on July 8, 2020, the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission ("ANC 2B" or "Commission") considered the above-referenced matter. With 8 of 8 Commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission approved the following resolution by a vote of (6-2-0):

WHEREAS, Emissary is within Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B,

WHEREAS, due to the COVID-19 public health emergency, restaurants have sought opportunities to expand outdoor space in order to provide safer options for eating and drinking,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B recognizes that without expansion of outdoor space for sidewalk cafes, local businesses are more likely to fail,

WHEREAS, the proposed expansion of seating on the sidewalk café meets ANC 2B's Public Space Guidelines,

WHEREAS, while ANC 2B understands that a concern was expressed that the expansion of the sidewalk café to the 21st Street NW side of the building would increase noise on the residential block of 21st Street, sidewalk cafes in our neighborhood are regularly next to residential and office units, such as the proposed expansion of this sidewalk café, and

WHEREAS, while ANC 2B understands that there is a disagreement among the landlord and the tenant in relation to which entity should apply for the extension, we assume that this will be resolved before the Public Space Committee reviews this application.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the public space application as proposed.

Commissioners Daniel Warwick (<u>2B02@anc.dc.gov</u>) and Mike Silverstein (<u>2B06@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