

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

October 9, 2025

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RE: Signature Lounge- Application for the renewal of a type "C" Tavern license at 1727 Connecticut Avenue NW (ABRA-117485)

Dear Chairman Anderson,

At its regular meeting on October 8, 2025, the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission ("ANC 2B" or "Commission") considered the above-referenced matter. With 8 of 9 Commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission approved the following resolution by a vote of (7-1-0):

WHEREAS Aberash LLC t/a Signature Lounge ("Signature", "Establishment") has applied for the renewal of an Alcoholic Beverage license (ABRA-117485) at 1727 Connecticut Avenue NW, located in ANC 2B, Single Member District 2B01.

WHEREAS Signature's placard hours are as follows:

Hours of Operation Inside Premises

Tuesday through Thursday 7am – 1am

Friday through Saturday 7am – 2am

Alcoholic Beverage Sales, Service, and Consumption inside the premises

Tuesday through Thursday 9am – 1am

Friday through Saturday 9am – 2am

Hours of Entertainment inside the premises

Tuesday through Thursday 9am – 1am

Friday through Saturday 7am – 2am

WHEREAS promoting and maintaining good relationships between residents and nightlife establishments is a responsibility and priority of ANC 2B.

WHEREAS Signature's license has Dancing and Entertainment Endorsements, which ANC 2B policy seeks to enter Settlement Agreements with such establishments to establish expected good neighbor practices.

WHEREAS Signature has operated subject to an ABCA Board Order to the establishment which limits hours to closing at 1am, or 2am on weekends; prohibits live entertainment, cover charges; prohibits events operated by promoters; and requires participation in MPD's Reimbursable Detail Officer program.

WHEREAS nearby residents have raised concerns and issues with the Establishment that indicates the need for ANC 2B to require the Establishment to enter into a Settlement Agreement.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B *supports* Signature's renewal application, subject to establishing a Settlement Agreement between the Establishment and ANC 2B.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B will file a pro forma protest of the application on the basis of Peace, Order, and Quiet, which will be withdrawn upon approval of the Settlement Agreement and Order by the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board.

Commissioner DeFrank (<u>2B01@anc.dc.gov</u>) and Commissioner Adams (<u>2B08@anc.dc.gov</u>) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

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Sincerely,

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