DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

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IN THE MATTER OF:

Gerogetown, LLC, t/a Angolo Ristorante

Italiano

2934 M Street NW : Show Cause

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License No. 109417 Case #20-251-00034

(Interfered with an Investigation)

> Wednesday April 21, 2021

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board met via WebEx videoconference, Chairperson Donovan W. Anderson presiding.

PRESENT:

DONOVAN W. ANDERSON, Chairperson BOBBY CATO, JR., Member RAFI ALIYA CROCKETT, Member EDWARD S. GRANDIS, Member JENI HANSEN, Member JAMES SHORT, JR., Member REMA WAHABZADAH, Member

ALSO PRESENT:

SIMONE ANDREWS, DC ABRA Staff JOHN LUI, DC OAG

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CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: As Chairperson of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board for the District of Columbia, and in accordance with D.C. Official Code Section 2576 of the Open Meetings

Act, I'm welcoming you to the regularly scheduled meeting of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board.

This meeting is being conducted pursuant to guidance made available by the District of Columbia Office of Open Government regarding electronic meetings held by public bodies during the public health emergency.

Pursuant to this guidance, notice of today's meeting was provided 48 hours in advance of the meeting on ABRA's website and on the District's central meeting calendar. The notice included the time, date, agenda, and call-in or login information for public participation.

This electronic meeting is being hosted by a Webex account provided by the District of Columbia Government. Please address any questions or complaints to the OOG at opengovoffice@dc.gov.

My name is Donovan Anderson, and I'm

1	Chairman of the Board. I would like to introduce			
2	the other members of the ABC Board who are also			
3	participating electronically, pursuant to Mayor's			
4	Order 2020-054.			
5	Please respond when I announce your			
6	name.			
7	Mr. James Short?			
8	MEMBER SHORT: Mr. James Short,			
9	present.			
10	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Bobby Cato?			
11	MEMBER CATO: Bobby Cato, present.			
12	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Rafi			
13	Crockett?			
14	MEMBER CROCKETT: Rafi Crockett,			
15	present.			
16	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Jeni Hansen?			
17	MEMBER HANSEN: Jeni Hansen, present.			
18	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Edward			
19	Grandis?			
20	MEMBER GRANDIS: Edward Grandis,			
21	present.			
22	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: The Board has			
23	six members in attendance for the conduct of			
24	business today, and that constitutes a quorum.			
25	Before we get underway with today's hearing			

calendar, I need to make a few instructions very clear so that the conduct of these hearings is understood by everyone.

There are nine cases scheduled for today. Once your case is called, I will take a moment for our IT specialist to elevate the rights for each party to enable their camera and microphone. Then and only then will you have the ability to enable your equipment. If your case is not being heard, you will remain mute and your camera will be disabled.

At the conclusion of each case, the parties will have the option to leave. If a party chooses to stay, all cameras and microphones for the concluded case will be disabled. Should you have any questions or require technical assistance during the hearing, please submit them using the question and answer feature, or email simone.andrews@dc.gov.

Our first order of business today is a show cause status hearing, Case Number 20-251-00034, Angelo Ristorante Italiano, license number 109417.

Ms. Andrews, can you please elevate the rights of the Government in this case?

1 MS. ANDREWS: Sure. Stand by. 2 Mr. Lui, your rights have been 3 elevated. That's all, Mr. Chair. 4 5 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thank you. Good morning, everyone. Mr. Lui, can 6 7 you please spell and state your name for the 8 record, please? 9 MR. LUI: Hi. Good morning, Mr. 10 Chairperson and Board members. My name is John 11 That's J-O-H-N, L-U-I. Thank you. 12 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right. 13 Good morning. The Agency was previously informed 14 that the Licensee will not participate today 15 based on a religious obligation. But because 16 this is a show cause status hearing, his presence 17 today is not necessary. 18 This matter, then, will be scheduled 19 for a show cause hearing at a future date to be 20 determined, and the Agency will advise both you, 21 Mr. Lui, and the Applicant on the date and time 22 of the scheduled show cause hearing. 23 All right. Thank you very much. 24 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter 25 went off the record at 10:47 a.m.)

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