

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD
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 ROLL CALL HEARING

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IN THE MATTER OF:           :
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Deset Ethiopian             :
Restaurant, LLC            :
t/a Deset                  :
Ethiopian Restaurant       :
6128 Georgia Ave NW       : Roll Call
Retailer CT - ANC 4A      : Hearing
License No. 098818        :
Case #22-PRO-00108       :
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(License Renewal)         :
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Monday
 November 28, 2022

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board
 met via WebEx videoconference, LaVerne Fletcher,
 Board's Agent, presiding.

PRESENT:

LAVERNE FLETCHER, ABRA Board's Agent

ALSO PRESENT:

DESTA ARAYA, Applicant
 CANDACE NELSON, ANC 4A

1 P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S

2 10:21 a.m.

3 MS. FLETCHER: The next case on the
4 calendar is Deset Ethiopian Restaurant, Case No.
5 22-PRO-00108, Deset Ethiopian Restaurant, LLC,
6 6128 Georgia Avenue, N.W., License No. ABRA
7 098818. This is a Retailer Class CT license
8 renewal. The protest issues are adverse impact
9 on peace, order, and quiet, residential parking,
10 and vehicular and pedestrian safety, and real
11 property values.

12 My name is LaVerne Fletcher conducting
13 the Roll Call hearing as the board's agent.

14 Is anyone present on behalf of the
15 establishment?

16 MR. ARAYA: Yes, ma'am.

17 MS. FLETCHER: If you could state your
18 name and spell it for the record, please?

19 MR. ARAYA: Yes. My name is Desta, D-
20 E-S-T-A.

21 MS. FLETCHER: That's first name or
22 last name?

23 MR. ARAYA: First name.

24 MS. FLETCHER: And what's the last
25 name, Desta?

1 MR. ARAYA: Araya, A-R-A-Y-A.

2 MS. FLETCHER: A-R-A-Y-A?

3 MR. ARAYA: Yes, ma'am.

4 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you very much.

5 MR. ARAYA: You're welcome.

6 MS. FLETCHER: Is anyone present on
7 behalf of ANC 4A?

8 MS. NELSON: Hi, good morning. This is
9 Candace Nelson. I am the ANC Commissioner for
10 4A-06 and I am representing ANC 4A today.

11 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you, Ms. Nelson.
12 Would you spell your name for the record, please?

13 MS. NELSON: Yes. It's Candace, C-A-
14 N-D-A-C-E. Last name Nelson, N-E-L-S-O-N.

15 MS. FLETCHER: Ms. Nelson, let me ask
16 you something -- oh, so first of all, ANC 4A does
17 have standing as a protestant, but did you
18 receive the Webex invitation from me?

19 MS. NELSON: I did.

20 MS. FLETCHER: Okay, good, because I
21 don't have my record right here to show me who I
22 sent the invites to. Then I already have your
23 email address, thank you.

24 MS. NELSON: Okay.

25 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. Thank you. We

1 need to set a date for mediation. You'll receive
2 the dates for the status and protest hearing at a
3 later date, probably tomorrow or the next day.
4 Those dates aren't available to me, but we can go
5 ahead and schedule the mediation. The next
6 available day for mediation is Tuesday, December
7 6th, any time between 10 and 1:30.

8 MR. ARAYA: 11 o'clock.

9 MS. NELSON: Is this also virtual?

10 MS. FLETCHER: Yes.

11 MS. NELSON: The mediation is virtual?

12 MS. FLETCHER: Yes.

13 MS. NELSON: And you said between 10
14 and --

15 MS. FLETCHER: 1:30. Between 10 and
16 1:30.

17 MS. NELSON: Okay, just double
18 checking my calendar.

19 MS. FLETCHER: Okay.

20 MS. NELSON: Okay, it looks like I'm
21 available -- I could probably do something
22 between 11 and 1.

23 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. All right, what
24 about -- so Mr. Araya?

25 MR. ARAYA: Yes, ma'am.

1 MS. NELSON: I could possibly do 10:30
2 as well.

3 MS. FLETCHER: Are you available at
4 10:30 on Tuesday, December 6th for mediation?

5 MR. ARAYA: Yes, ma'am.

6 MS. FLETCHER: Mediation is set for
7 Tuesday, December 6th at 10:30.

8 Mr. Araya, did you receive an
9 invitation from me to attend the roll call
10 hearing today? Did you get an invitation to
11 attend?

12 MR. ARAYA: Yes.

13 MS. FLETCHER: Okay, thank you. Then
14 I'm just making sure I already have your email
15 address. Thank you.

16 MR. ARAYA: Okay. Thanks.

17 MS. FLETCHER: Okay, well, the Roll
18 Call hearing in this matter is concluded and I'll
19 see you on December 6th at 10:30.

20 MR. ARAYA: That's all right.

21 MS. FLETCHER: Well, thank you very
22 much.

23 MR. ARAYA: Bye.

24 MS. NELSON: All right, thank you.

25 MS. FLETCHER: Have a good day.

1 MS. NELSON: All right, Des, see you
2 later.

3 MR. ARAYA: Okay. Thanks.

4 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter
5 went off the record at 10:26 a.m.)
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Before: DC ABRA

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