

**THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD**

In the Matter of:)	
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Letena Ethiopian Restaurant, LLC)	
t/a Letena)	
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Holder of a)	License No.: ABRA-104754
Retailer's Class DR License)	Order No.: 2018-023
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at premises)	
3100 14th Street, Unit 121, N.W.)	
Washington, D.C. 20010)	

Letena Ethiopian Restaurant, LLC, t/a Letena (Licensee)

Christine Miller, Commissioner, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 1A

BEFORE: Donovan Anderson, Chairperson
Nick Alberti, Member
Mike Silverstein, Member
James Short, Member
Donald Isaac, Sr., Member
Bobby Cato, Member
Rema Wahabzadah, Member

ORDER ON SECOND AMENDMENT TO SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

The official records of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (Board) reflect that Partners at Letena Ethiopian Restaurant, LLC, t/a Letena (Licensee), and ANC 1A have entered into a Settlement Agreement (Agreement), dated January 11, 2017, and an Amendment to Settlement Agreement (Amendment), dated June 14, 2017, that governs the operation of the Licensee's establishment.

This matter comes now before the Board to consider the Parties' Second Amendment to Settlement Agreement (Second Amendment), dated December 13, 2017, in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 25-446 (2001).

The Second Amendment has been reduced to writing and has been properly executed and filed with the Board. The Licensee and Commissioner Christine Miller, on behalf of ANC 1A, are signatories to the Second Amendment.

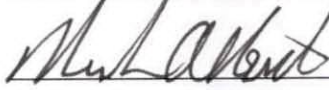
Accordingly, it is this 24th day of January, 2018, **ORDERED** that:

1. The above-referenced Second Amendment to Settlement Agreement submitted by the Parties to govern the operations of the Licensee's establishment is **APPROVED** and **INCORPORATED** as part of this Order;
2. All terms and conditions of the original Settlement Agreement and Amendment to Settlement Agreement not amended by the Second Amendment, shall remain in full force and effect; and
3. Copies of this Order shall be sent to the Licensee and ANC 1A.

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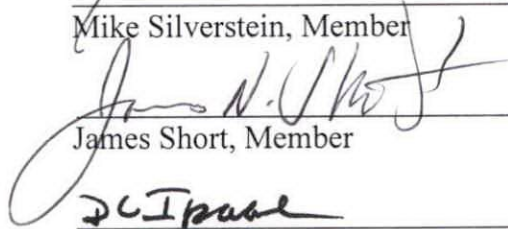
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Nick Alberti, Member



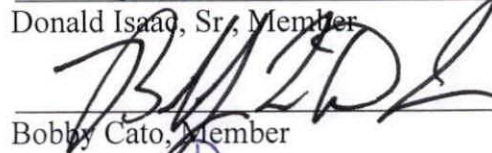
Mike Silverstein, Member



James Short, Member



Donald Isaac, Sr., Member



Bobby Cato, Member



Rema Wahabzadah, Member

Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 25-433(d)(1), any party adversely affected may file a Motion for Reconsideration of this decision within ten (10) days of service of this Order with the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration, 2000 14th Street, N.W., Suite 400S, Washington, DC 20009.

Also, pursuant to section 11 of the District of Columbia Administrative Procedure Act, Pub. L. 90-614, 82 Stat. 1209, D.C. Official Code §2-510 (2001), and Rule 15 of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, any party adversely affected has the right to appeal this Order by filing a petition for review, within thirty (30) days of the date of service of this Order, with the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, 430 E Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001; (202/879-1010). However, the timely filing of a Motion for Reconsideration pursuant to 23 DCMR §1719.1 (2008) stays the time for filing a petition for review in the District of Columbia Court of Appeals until the Board rules on the motion. See D.C. App. Rule 15(b) (2004).



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SMD 1A12 – Margaret Hundley

**RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT
BETWEEN ANC 1A AND LETENA ETHIOPIAN RESTAURANT**

WHEREAS; The current Settlement Agreement for Letena Ethiopian Restaurant, LLC, t/a Letena located at 3100 14th Street, Unit 121, NW, Washington, D.C., License No.: ABRA 104754, restricts hours of operation to no later than 9:00 pm Sunday through Saturday; and

WHEREAS; Letena's current Settlement Agreement currently restricts hours of operation; and

WHEREAS; Letena would like to expand their hours to operate earlier in the morning;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: ANC 1A amends the Settlement Agreement to read:

The Applicant's hours of operation shall be as follows:

Sunday through Thursday 7:00 a.m. – 2:00 a.m.,
Friday and Saturday 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 a.m.

If to Applicant:
Letena Ethiopian Restaurant, LLC, t/a Letena
3100 14th Street, Unit 121, NW
Washington, DC
Attn: Yamrot Ezineh
(202) 733-4830

If to Protestants:
Advisory Neighborhood Commissions 1A
3400 11th Street, NW
Washington, DC
Attn: Christine Miller, Commissioner
202- 670-7046

Letena Ethiopian Restaurant, LLC, t/a Letena

Signature:

Print Name: YAMROT E EZINEH

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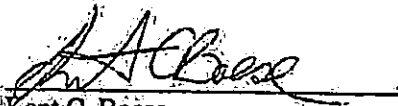
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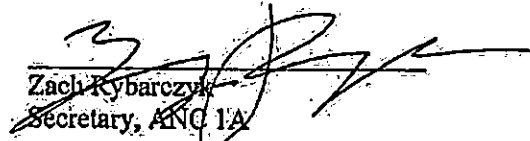
Print Name: Christine Miller

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Certification:

After providing sufficient notice for and with a quorum of 7 present at its ^{KCM} ~~June 14~~ ^{Dec. 13th} 2017, meeting, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1A voted, with 7 Yeas, 0 Nos and 0 Abstentions, to adopt the above resolution.


Kent C. Boese
Chairperson, ANC 1A


Zach Rybarczyk
Secretary, ANC 1A

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Holder of a
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at premises
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License No.: ABRA-104754
Order No.: 2017-408

Letena Ethiopian Restaurant, LLC, t/a Letena (Licensee)

Christine Miller, Commissioner, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 1A

BEFORE: Donovan Anderson, Chairperson
Nick Alberti, Member
Mike Silverstein, Member
James Short, Member
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This matter comes now before the Board to consider the Parties' Amendment to Settlement Agreement (Amendment), dated June 14, 2017, in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 25-446 (2001).

The Amendment has been reduced to writing and has been properly executed and filed with the Board. The Licensee and Commissioner Christine Miller, on behalf of ANC 1A, are signatories to the Amendment.


Accordingly, it is this 26th day of July, 2017, **ORDERED** that:

1. The above-referenced Amendment to Settlement Agreement submitted by the Parties to govern the operations of the Licensee's establishment is **APPROVED** and **INCORPORATED** as part of this Order;
2. All terms and conditions of the original Settlement Agreement not amended by the Amendment, shall remain in full force and effect; and
3. Copies of this Order shall be sent to the Licensee and ANC 1A.

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Donovan Anderson, Chairperson



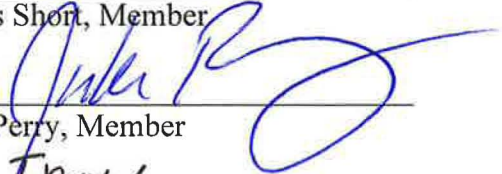
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**RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT
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WHEREAS; The current Settlement Agreement for Letena Ethiopian Restaurant, LLC, t/a Letena located at 3100 14th Street, Unit 121, NW, Washington, D.C., License No.: ABRA 104754, restricts hours of operation to no later than 9:00 pm Sunday through Saturday; and

WHEREAS; Letena’s current Settlement Agreement currently restricts hours for selling and serving alcohol on premise to 9:00 pm Sunday through Saturday; and

WHEREAS; Letena would like to expand their hours to operate later in the evening

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: ANC 1A amends the Settlement Agreement to read:

The Applicant's hours of operation and selling alcohol shall be as follows:

Sunday through Thursday 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 a.m.,
Friday and Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 a.m.

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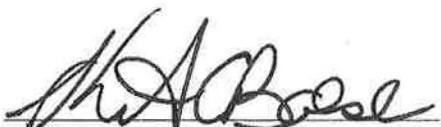


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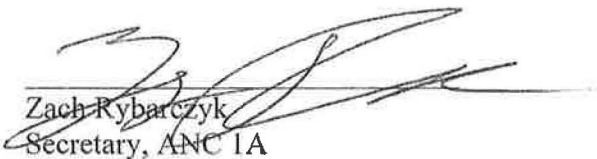
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Certification:

After providing sufficient notice for and with a quorum of 11 present at its June 14, 2017, meeting, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1A voted, with 11 Yeas, 0 Nos and 0 Abstentions, to adopt the above resolution.



Kent C. Boese
Chairperson, ANC 1A



Zach Rybarczyk
Secretary, ANC 1A



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RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT OF THE STIPULATED LICENSE FOR CHANGE IN OPERATING HOURS AND LIQUOR LICENSE FOR LETENA

WHEREAS; Letena Ethiopian Restaurant, LLC, t/a Letena located at 3100 14th Street, Unit 121, NW, Washington, D.C., License No.: ABRA 104754, is already in operation and seeking a Class “C” Restaurant License and change to current hours in the existing Settlement Agreement; and

WHEREAS; ANC 1A seeks to support the Letena application for a change in license and amend its current hours in the settlement agreement to Sunday through Thursday 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m., and Friday and Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 a.m.;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: ANC 1A supports the application by Letena for a Stipulated License.

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Certification:

At a regularly scheduled and publicly noticed meeting held on June 14th, 2017, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1A considered the above resolution. With a quorum of 11 Commissioners present, the Commission voted with 11 yeas, 0 nos, and 0 abstentions to adopt the above resolution.

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Kent Boese
Chairperson, ANC 1A

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Zach Rybarczyk
Secretary, ANC 1A

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License No.: ABRA-104754
Order No.: 2017-047

Letena Ethiopian Restaurant, LLC, t/a Letena (Applicant)

Christine Miller, Commissioner, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 1A

BEFORE: Donovan Anderson, Chairperson
Nick Alberti, Member
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The Agreement has been reduced to writing and has been properly executed and filed with the Board. The Applicant and Commissioner Christine Miller, on behalf of ANC 1A, are signatories to the Agreement.

Accordingly, it is this 25th day of January, 2017, **ORDERED** that:

1. The above-referenced Settlement Agreement submitted by the parties to govern the operations of the Applicant's establishment is **APPROVED** and **INCORPORATED** as part of this Order; and
2. Copies of this Order shall be sent to the Applicant and ANC 1A.

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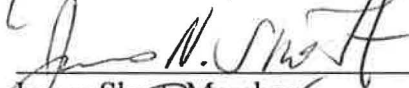
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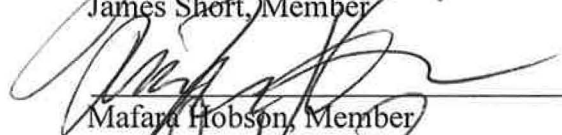
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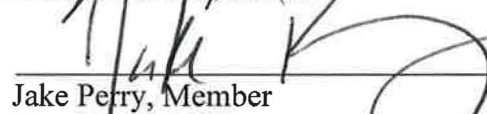
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SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT (“Agreement”) is made on this 11th day of January, 2017, by and between Letena Ethiopian Restaurant, LLC, t/a Letena (the “Applicant”), and Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1A (“Protestant”), (collectively, the “Parties”).

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, Applicant has applied for a Restaurant License Class “D”, License No.: ABRA 104754, for a business establishment located at 3100 14th Street, Unit 121, NW, Washington, D.C. (the “Premises”);

WHEREAS, the Parties have agreed to enter into this Agreement and request that the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (“ABC Board”) approve the Applicant’s license application conditioned upon the Applicant’s compliance with the terms of this written agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Parties are desirous of entering into an Agreement pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 25-446 for the operation and maintenance of the Establishment in such a manner as to minimize the effect on (i) the peace, order, and quiet of the neighborhood and (ii) pedestrian safety and vehicular traffic, and to eliminate the need for a Protest Hearing regarding the license application.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the recitals set forth above and the mutual covenants and conditions set forth below, the Parties agree as follows:

1. **Recitals Incorporated:** The recitals set forth above are incorporated herein by reference.
2. **Nature of the Business:** The Applicant will manage and operate a restaurant with an emphasis on food. Any change from this model shall be considered by both Parties to be a substantial change in operation of great concern to residents and requires prior approval by the ABC Board.
3. **Hours of Operation and Sales:** The Applicant’s hours of operation shall be as follows;

Sunday through Saturday 7:00 am – 9:00 pm

The Applicant’s hours for selling and serving alcohol on premise shall be as follows:

Sunday through Saturday 10:00 am – 9:00 pm

Provided, however, (1) on days designated by the DC ABC Board as "extended Hours for ABC Establishments" Applicant may serve alcoholic beverages and provide entertainment for one additional hour (that is, one hour later in the morning) or later hours as authorized; (2) in the event the Council of the District of Columbia or the DC ABC Board grant licensees in general extended operating hours Applicant may avail itself of such extended hours; (3) on January 1 of each year Applicant may serve alcoholic beverages until 4 am.

4. **Loitering:** All due diligence shall be made by the applicant to ensure that there is no loitering in front of or in the vicinity of the Premises, especially loud cursing, public drunkenness or other acts of aggression.
5. **Smoking:** Applicant will encourage all patrons, by posted signs or printed notation to smoke only in designated areas outside the Premises.
6. **Noise and Privacy:** Applicant acknowledges familiarity with and will strictly comply with all noise-control provisions of the District of Columbia's laws and regulations, including emissions of sounds, capable of being heard outside the premise, by any musical instrument or amplification device or other device or source of sound or noise, in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 25-725. Applicant will encourage employees and patrons to be considerate of residents in the neighborhood after departing the building, by keeping conversations and other noises at a level that will not disturb peace, order, quiet enjoyment and tranquility of residents in the enjoyment of their homes or generate a noise complaint.
7. **Public Space and Trash:** Applicant shall keep the sidewalk, tree box(es), and abutting public spaces clean and free of litter, bottles, and other debris in compliance with D.C. Code and Municipal Regulations. Applicant shall police these areas sufficiently to assure that refuse and other materials are promptly removed. The Applicant agrees to obtain a dumpster to be placed in the rear of the building. Applicant shall ensure that the area around the dumpster is kept clean at all times and the dumpster is placed such that it does not encroach on the abutting property owners and so that no garbage is placed on the abutting property.
8. **Rats and Vermin Control:** The Applicant shall provide rat and vermin control for its property. Applicant shall provide proof of its rat and vermin control contract upon the request of the ABC Board. Applicant shall have the Premises and the area around the Premises properly cleaned at the end of each night to ensure that there is no garbage and odors present the following morning.
9. **Parking:** Applicant will encourage transit use, and will direct patrons to use available on street metered parking spaces rather than parking on residential streets.
10. **License Ownership and Compliance with ABRA Regulations:** Applicant promises to Protestants that it shall abide by all Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA) regulations regarding ownership of the license and all other provisions applicable to liquor licensees, and agrees that Protestants shall have standing to ask the ABC Board to enforce any violations of the agreement.
11. **Participation in the Community:** Applicant agrees to seek to maintain open communication with the Protestants, and the community for which the ANC acts.
12. **Notice and Opportunity to Cure:** In the event that any of the parties is in breach of this Agreement, the party shall be entitled to reasonable notice and opportunity to cure, as a condition precedent to seeking enforcement of the Agreement. Unless the breach is of emergency nature or is a repetition of a prior breach, reasonable notice and opportunity shall provide for a cure within 30 days of the date of such notice. If Applicant or the

licensee fails to cure within the 30-day period (or, with respect to a breach which reasonably requires more than 30-days to cure, fails to commence cure of such breach and diligently pursues such cure) failure shall constitute a cause for the ANC to file a complaint with the ABC Board pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 25- 446(e) in order to enforce the provisions of the Agreement. Unless otherwise noted above, any notices required to be made under this Agreement shall be in writing and mailed via certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, or hand-delivered, to the other parties to this Agreement at the following addresses. Notice shall be deemed given as of the time or receipt or refusal of receipt.

If to Applicant:
Letena Ethiopian Restaurant, LLC, t/a Letena

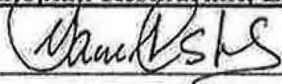
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Print Name: Yamrot Ezineh

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Signature: _____



Print Name: Christine Miller