### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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## ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

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### ROLL CALL HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF: :

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Empire DC LLC,

t/a Empire Lounge

1909 9th Street NW : Roll Call Retailer CT : Hearing

License No. ABRA-110702 : Case #19-PRO-00135 :

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(License Renewal) :

Monday

December 9, 2019

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board met in the Alcoholic Beverage Control Hearing Room, Reeves Building, 2000 14th Street, N.W., Suite 400S, Washington, D.C. 20009, LaVerne Fletcher, Board's Agent, presiding.

#### PRESENT:

LAVERNE FLETCHER, ABRA Board's Agent

ALSO PRESENT:

ANITA NORMAN, ANC 1B

# 1 P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S 2 (10:23 a.m.) 3 MS. FLETCHER: Would the parties in 4 the matter of Empire Lounge please come forward, 5 the parties in the matter of Empire Lounge? anyone present on behalf of Empire Lounge? 6 7 This is Case Case 19-PRO-00135, Empire 8 DC LLC, 1909 9th Street NW; License #ABRA-110702. This is a Retailer Class CT License Renewal. 9 10 The protest issues are adverse impact 11 on peace, order and quiet, residential parking 12 and vehicular and pedestrian safety and real 13 property values. 14 My name is Laverne Fletcher conducting 15 the roll call hearing as the Board's agent. Is 16 the applicant present? Present on behalf of ANC 17 1B? 18 MS. NORMAN: Anita Norman, A-N-I-T-A 19 N-O-R-M-A-N. 20 MS. FLETCHER: Ms. Norman, has there 21 been any communication with the applicant? 22 settlement agreement pending? 23 MS. NORMAN: Not to my knowledge. Thank you. Is Tony 24 MS. FLETCHER: 25 Behzad or David Fox? The application is

dismissed because the applicant failed to appear. 1 2 The protest filed by Tony Behzad -- I'll spell that for the record -- T-O-N-Y, last name is 3 spelled B-E-H-Z-A-D -- is dismissed because he is 4 5 not present today. Ms. Norman, the Board is going to 6 7 issue an order dismissing those protests. 8 receive a copy, of course, and there's no need to 9 set a date for any hearings --10 MS. NORMAN: Okay. 11 MS. FLETCHER: -- because all the 12 parties are not present. But you'll be kept 13 informed. They'll have an opportunity to seek 14 reinstatement of the protest, but you'll be kept 15 informed along the way. But as of today, the application is 16 17 dismissed as well as the protest filed by Tony 18 Behzad. The time is approximately 10:27 and 19 neither one of them are present. 20 Thank you. The roll call hearing is 21 concluded. 22 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter 23 went off the record at 10:25 a.m.)

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