



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

9:48 a.m.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning, everyone. I would like to welcome you to the regularly scheduled meeting of the District of Columbia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board. Please know that today's hearings will be conducted in accordance with D.C. Official Code Section 2-574 of the Open Meetings Act.

Today is March 14, 2018. To my far right is Mr. Donald Isaac, Sr. and to his left is Mr. Bobby Cato. And to my immediate right is Mr. Nick Alberti. To my far left is Mr. Mike Silverstein and to my immediate left is Mr. James Short. My name is Donovan Anderson. I'm the Chairman of the Board. The Board has six Members in attendance for the conduct of business today and we do have a quorum.

I would like to mention two things before we get started. First of all, if you have any electronic devices, pagers, cell phones or such, please, make certain that they are turned

1 off to avoid any interruption of the proceedings.

2 Secondly, there is a piece of paper on  
3 each table. When you come forward as your case  
4 is called, please, take a seat at the table and,  
5 please, sign-in. This is to ensure the correct  
6 spelling of your name for the record.

7 Additionally, when you introduce  
8 yourself for the record, please, spell your name  
9 aloud for the court reporter.

10 I will note that the approximate time  
11 is 9:50. I apologize for not being here promptly  
12 at 9:30. I do apologize. You were here and your  
13 time is valuable and I do apologize that we were  
14 not here timely.

15 The first order of business on our  
16 agenda is a Protest Hearing (Status) Case No. 18-  
17 PRO-00004, French 75, License No. 108192.

18 Would the parties, please, approach  
19 and identify themselves for the record? Everyone  
20 who is here for French 75, please, step forward,  
21 please. Good morning.

22 MR. GUGGENMOS: Good morning. I'm

1 John Guggenmos with the ANC-2F.

2 MR. HILTON: Are you going to spell  
3 that for them, John?

4 MR. GUGGENMOS: G-U-G-G-E-N-M-O-S.

5 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Can you also  
6 write your name on that sheet?

7 MR. HILTON: Ian Hilton, I-A-N H-I-L-  
8 T-O-N, representing French 75.

9 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,  
10 Mr. Hilton.

11 MR. HILTON: Good morning.

12 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Are there any  
13 preliminary matters in this case? No?

14 MR. HILTON: No.

15 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: This matter is  
16 scheduled for a Protest Hearing on March 28th at  
17 4:30 p.m.

18 MR. GUGGENMOS: We are a handshake  
19 away from having a voluntary -- an SA done.

20 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Well, I'm glad  
21 to hear that, but we still have to --

22 MR. GUGGENMOS: Sure.

1 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: -- schedule --

2 MR. GUGGENMOS: I'm sorry.

3 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: -- the hearing  
4 and so as soon as you have a signed agreement,  
5 you can let the Board know and we will take this  
6 off the calendar.

7 Now, I can read the process for a  
8 Protest Hearing or if you believe that we are not  
9 going to go to a hearing, then that's not  
10 necessary.

11 MR. GUGGENMOS: It's not necessary.

12 MR. HILTON: Not necessary.

13 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.  
14 Well, I wish you good luck in your negotiations.  
15 And as I tell folks, I will not take it  
16 personally if I do not see you on March 28th at  
17 4:30. Okay?

18 MR. GUGGENMOS: Sure.

19 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: You have a good  
20 day. Thank you very much.

21 MR. GUGGENMOS: Thank you very much.

22 MR. HILTON: Thank you so much.



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