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IN THE MATTER OF:           :
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Menomale Noma, LLC,         :
t/a Menomale                 :
35 N Street NE              : Protest
Retailer CR - ANC 6C        : Hearing (Status)
License No. 112153          :
Case #20-PRO-00001          :
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(Application for a New       :
License)                     :
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Wednesday  
February 12, 2020

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, Chairperson Donovan W. Anderson, presiding.

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

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

(9:31 a.m.)

MEMBER ANDERSON: Good morning everyone. I would like to welcome you to the regular schedule of the District of Columbia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board.

Today is February 12, 2020, and before we introduce the members of the Board today we have, someone needs to be sworn in. So we'll ask Mr. Steve Walker from the Mayor's Office of Talent and Acquisition to come forward and swear in our new member.

MR. WALKER: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. And welcome. Raise your right hand and repeat after me. I, Jeni Hansen --

MEMBER HANSEN: I, Jeni Hansen --

MR. WALKER: -- have been appointed as a member of --

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MR. WALKER: -- the ABC Board --

MEMBER HANSEN: -- the ABC Board --

MR. WALKER: -- do solemnly swear and affirm that --

MEMBER HANSEN: -- do solemnly swear

1 and affirm that --

2 MR. WALKER: -- I, Jeni Hansen --

3 MEMBER HANSEN: -- I, Jeni Hansen --

4 MR. WALKER: -- will support and  
5 defend the Constitution of the United States --

6 MEMBER HANSEN: -- will support and  
7 defend the Constitution of the United States --

8 MR. WALKER: -- and the laws of the  
9 District of Columbia --

10 MEMBER HANSEN: -- and the laws of the  
11 District of Columbia --

12 MR. WALKER: -- and I will perform the  
13 duties --

14 MEMBER HANSEN: -- and I will perform  
15 the duties --

16 MR. WALKER: -- that may be assigned  
17 to me --

18 MEMBER HANSEN: -- that may be  
19 assigned to me --

20 MR. WALKER: -- as a member of the ABC  
21 Board --

22 MEMBER HANSEN: -- as a member of the  
23 ABC Board --

24 MR. WALKER: -- to the best of my  
25 ability.

1 MEMBER HANSEN: -- to the best of my  
2 ability.

3 MR. WALKER: Without fear or favor --

4 MEMBER HANSEN: Without fear or favor  
5 --

6 MR. WALKER: -- I will exercise my  
7 best judgment --

8 MEMBER HANSEN: -- I will exercise my  
9 best judgment --

10 MR. WALKER: -- and consider all  
11 matters before me --

12 MEMBER HANSEN: -- and consider all  
13 matters before me --

14 MR. WALKER: -- from the viewpoint of  
15 the best interest --

16 MEMBER HANSEN: -- from the viewpoint  
17 of the best interest --

18 MR. WALKER: -- of the District of  
19 Columbia --

20 MEMBER HANSEN: -- of the District of  
21 Columbia --

22 MR. WALKER: -- as a whole --

23 MEMBER HANSEN: -- as a whole --

24 MR. WALKER: -- and I will faithfully  
25 discharge these duties.

1                   MEMBER HANSEN:  -- and I will  
2 faithfully discharge these duties.

3                   MR. WALKER:  Congratulations.

4                   MEMBER ANDERSON:  So I would like to  
5 introduce the members with us today.  And to my  
6 far right is Ms. Jeni Hansen.  To her left is Ms.  
7 Rafi Crockett.  To my immediate right is Mr.  
8 Bobby Cato.  To my far left is Ms. Rema  
9 Wahabzadah, and to my immediate left is Mr. James  
10 Short.

11                   My name is Donovan Anderson.  I'm  
12 Chairman of the Board, and we have six members  
13 today.  And so therefore we do have a quorum.  I  
14 will like to mention three things before we get  
15 started.

16                   First, if you have any electronic  
17 devices, pagers, cell phone or such, please make  
18 certain they are turned off to avoid any  
19 interruption of the proceeding.

20                   Secondly, there's a piece of paper on  
21 each table.  When you come forward as your case  
22 is called, please take a seat at the table, and  
23 please sign in.  This is to ensure the clerk has  
24 spelled out your name for the record.

25                   Lastly, please note that today's

1 meeting of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board  
2 is governed by the open meeting. In fact, please  
3 address any questions or complaints to the Office  
4 of Open Government at OpenGovOffice@DC.Gov.

5 I would note that the approximate time  
6 is 9:33 a.m. And as Chair of the Board, I would  
7 like to personally welcome Ms. Hansen to the  
8 Board today.

9 I do look forward to working to her  
10 and again, welcome to the Board. And I do look  
11 forward to a great working relationship with you.

12 MEMBER HANSEN: Thank you.

13 MEMBER ANDERSON: Thank you. All  
14 right. Our first order of business today is our  
15 protest hearing status, case number 20-PRO-00001,  
16 Menomale, license number 112153.

17 This hearing is cancelled due to  
18 submission of a settlement agreement for the  
19 Board's review and approval.

20 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter  
21 went off the record at 9:34 a.m.)  
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