# THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

In the Matter of:	)		
Mission Group 26 N St, LLC	)		
t/a Royal Sands Social Club	)		
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Applicant for a New	)	Case No.:	22-PRO-00007
Retailer's Class CT License	)	License No.:	ABRA-119970
	)	Order No.:	2022-147
at premises	)		
26 N Street, SE	)		
Washington, D.C. 20003	)		
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Mission Group 26 N St, LLC, t/a Royal Sands Social Club, Applicant

Joe Dellamura, Designated Representative, on behalf of a Group of Five or More Individuals, Protestant

**BEFORE:** 

Donovan Anderson, Chairperson

James Short, Member Bobby Cato, Member

Rafi Aliya Crockett, Member

Jeni Hansen, Member

Edward S. Grandis, Member

# ORDER ON SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND WITHDRAWAL OF THE GROUP OF FIVE OR MORE INDIVIDUALS' PROTEST

The Application filed by Mission Group 26 N St, LLC, t/a Royal Sands Social Club (Applicant), for a New Retailer's Class CT License, having been protested, came before the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (Board) for a Roll Call Hearing on February 28, 2022, in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 25-601 (2001).

The official records of the Board reflect that the Applicant and a Group of Five or More Individuals entered into a Settlement Agreement (Agreement), dated March 31, 2022, that governs the operations of the Applicant's establishment.

The Agreement has been reduced to writing and has been properly executed and filed with the Board. The Applicant and Joe Dellamura, on behalf of the Group of Five or More Individuals, are signatories to the Agreement.

This Agreement constitutes a withdrawal of the Protest filed by the Group of Five or More Individuals.

Accordingly, it is this 6th day of April 2022, **ORDERED** that:

- 1. The Application filed by Mission Group 26 N St, LLC, t/a Royal Sands Social Club, for a new Retailer's Class CT License, located at 26 N Street, SE, Washington, D.C., is **GRANTED**;
- 2. The Protest of the Group of Five or More Individuals in this matter is hereby WITHDRAWN;
- 3. 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
- 4. Copies of this Order shall be sent to the Parties.

District of Columbia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board

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Edward S. Grandis, Member

Pursuant to D.C. Official Code§ 25-433(d)(l), 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 14<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Suite 400S, Washington, DC 20009.

Also, pursuant to section II 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 thilty (30) days of the date of service of this Order, with the District of Columbia Coult 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).

### Settlement Agreement by and between Group of 5 (represented by Joe Dellamura) and Mission Group 26 N ST, LLC t/a Royal Sands Social Club

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this 31st day of March 2022, by and between Mission Group 26 N ST, LLC ("Applicant") and a Group of five (represented by Joe Dellamura) ("Protestants").

#### **RECITALS**

WHEREAS, Applicant has applied for a Retailer's Class CT License, (ABRA-119970), located at 26 N Street SE ("Premises"); and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board ("Board")'s policy of encouraging parties to a liquor licensing proceeding to settle their differences by reaching Settlement Agreements, by their signatures below, the parties hereto desire to enter into a Settlement Agreement whereby (1) Applicant will agree to adopt certain measures to address the Protestant's concerns, and (2) the Protestants will withdraw its protest of the application provided that the Board approves this Agreement conditioned upon Applicant's compliance with its terms; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants hereinafter set forth, and other good and valuable consideration, receipt and sufficiency are hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

Applicant will post at all entrances, exits, and on its website, notice that patrons are expected to respect nearby residents and the neighborhood by: maintaining peace, order, and quiet in the neighborhood (i.e., no loud talking, yelling, or screaming upon entry or exit or while waiting in line to enter the establishment.

Applicant will continue to monitor patrons waiting in line to discourage loud or rowdy behavior. Recognizing that much of the line is formed on public property, Applicant will take reasonable measures to maintain order, including calling the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), if necessary.

1) Applicant understands that the neighborhood has many residential buildings and will take all reasonable steps to prevent noise and other negative impacts on the quality of life of residents. Applicant will ensure music or any other amplified sound generated from inside the establishment is reduced after midnight so as to not disturb the peace, order and tranquility of the surrounding neighborhood. This includes reducing the volume of music, DJ or live entertainment to reasonable levels (60 Decibels) when detected outside of the establishment or in adjacent suites internal to the structure (1205 Half St SE) as per DC Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA) regulations DCMR 20, Sec. 2700.1

- 2) Alcohol service on the sidewalk cafe will end at midnight Sunday-Thursday and 12:30am Friday-Saturday and no alcohol will be allowed outside past those hours.
- 3) Music on the sidewalk cafe will end at 11:30pm nightly. Any music played outside prior to 11:30pm will be of background music variety and not at an excessive level.
- 4) Any large openings to the outside such as garage doors, skylights, large windows or any other opening in the structure unless exclusively used for ingress and egress in the most minimally exposed manner reasonably possible (standard doorways and hatches) must be closed by midnight Sunday-Thursday and 12:30am Friday-Saturday as to not allow indoor noise to permeate to the surrounding residential neighborhood.

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- 5) Applicant will not charge a cover charge.
- 6) Applicant will continue to reach out to the city and to be in support of city efforts toward finding solutions for managing parking, traffic, and crowds hanging out in public space in the vicinity of the establishment.
- 7) Applicant will be in support of city efforts to designate a pick-up and drop-off spot for ride sharing services (such as Uber, Lyft, etc.) near the establishment.
- 8) Applicant will place security cameras in the exterior bathroom hallways and have personnel inspect bathrooms on a consistent basis to ensure guest safety.
- 9) Applicant will have ABC Manager(s) on duty at all times.
- 10) Applicant will provide bartenders with ABC Board approved alcohol awareness training, taking into consideration that due to bartender turnaround, there may be bartenders who come and go without taking the training.
- 11) Applicant will not permit the consumption of alcoholic beverages by intoxicated persons, or any person who appears to be intoxicated, by people under the legal drinking age in the District of Columbia or of a person of notoriously intemperate habits.

# PROTESTANTS:

Group of 5 (Joe Dellamura, Allyson Flores, Andrew Ross, Mason McMaster, Anna Sokolovska)

Joseph Pellamura 4/2/2022

Joe Dellamura, Designated Representative Date Signed

## APPLICANT:

Mission Group 26 N ST, LLC t/a Royal Sands Social Club

By: Francis Brogan	3/31/2022		
_,	Francis Biogan, Managing Partner	Date-Signed	