THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE AND CANNABIS BOARD

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) Case No.:	23-PRO-00090
) License No.:	ABCA-105295
) Order No.:	2024-124
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BEFORE: Donovan Anderson, Chairperson

James Short, Member Silas Grant, Jr., Member

ALSO PRESENT: NAI Saturn Easter, LLC, t/a Safeway, Applicant

Zachary G. Williams, Counsel, on behalf of the Applicant

Vincent E. Slatt, Commissioner, Advisory Neighborhood Commission

(ANC) 2B, Protestants

Martha Jenkins, General Counsel

Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Administration

ORDER DENYING MOTION TO REINSTATE PROTEST

The Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board (Board) received a Motion to Reinstate the protest filed by Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 2B regarding the renewal application filed by NAI Saturn Easter, LLC, t/a Safeway.

The ANC's representative indicated that he missed the Protest Status Hearing because he was confused about the date of the hearing. In response, Safeway provides various emails showing that the agency clearly communicated the Protest Status Hearing date on multiple occasions and the agency never indicated that the date had changed. In light of Safeway's presentation, the reasons provided by the ANC are insufficient to constitute good cause in accordance with 23 DCMR § 1604.

ORDER

Therefore, the Board, on this 13th day of March 2024, hereby **DENIES** the Protestant's Motion for Reinstatement. A copy of this Order shall be provided to the parties.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Board's findings of fact and conclusions of law contained in this Order shall be deemed severable. If any part of this determination is deemed invalid, the Board intends that its ruling remain in effect so long as sufficient facts and authority support the decision. The omission of any testimony or evidence in the Board's Order indicates that such testimony or evidence was contravened by the evidence or testimony credited by the Board, had no or minimal weight on the Board's findings and conclusions, was irrelevant, was not credible, was not truthful, was repetitious, was too speculative, or was otherwise inappropriate for consideration.

The ABCA shall deliver a copy of this order to the Parties.

District of Columbia Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board

Donovan Anderson, Chairperson

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Silas Grant, Jr., 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 and Cannabis Administration, Reeves Center, 2000 14th Street, NW, 400S, Washington, D.C. 20009.

Also, pursuant to section 11 of the District of Columbia Administrative Procedure Act, Pub. L. 90-614, 82 Stat. 1209, D.C. 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. However, the timely filing of a Motion for Reconsideration pursuant to 23 DCMR § 1719.1 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).