



Dupont Circle Citizens Association

A Volunteer Nonprofit Organization

Founded In 1922 To Promote And Protect The Interests Of The Residents Of Dupont Circle

The Voice of Dupont Circle

9 Dupont Circle NW 20036

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Chair Donovan Anderson
Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board
899 North Capitol Street, NE, Suite 4200-B
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Re: **ABRA-128784**
Licensee: Dupont Eatery, Inc.
Trade Name: Platinum DC Club
License Class: Retailer's Class C Nightclub
Address: 1805 Connecticut Ave NW

Dear Chair Anderson:

The Dupont Circle Citizens Association ("DCCA") submits this letter in support of the Protests filed by ANC 2B, ANC 2D and Sheridan Kalorama Neighborhood Council in response to the Petition to Amend or Terminate Settlement Agreement filed by Dupont Eatery, Inc., t/a Platinum DC Club. St. Margaret's Episcopal Church has also submitted a letter in opposition to the Petition. Although DCCA is not a party to the current Settlement Agreement ("SA"), it was a party to a prior SA governing this establishment. DCCA testified in favor of the SA and has a longtime interest going back over a decade in having an SA in place for this establishment for the benefit of residents of the neighborhood.

Founded more than 100 years ago, DCCA exists to promote and protect the interests of residents within its duly established boundaries. Platinum DC Club, located at 1805 Connecticut Avenue NW, lies within those boundaries.

Platinum DC Club is an adult full-nude entertainment venue located in very close proximity to St. Margaret's Episcopal Church, near other houses of worship and the homes and apartments of Dupont Circle residents and DCCA members. DCCA is particularly concerned Platinum's publicly available promotional materials advertise "Private Lap Dance Rooms," which may be **illegal and inconsistent with the existing Settlement Agreement, and may violate District law**, as detailed in the Protests filed by ANC 2D and the Sheridan Kalorama Neighborhood Council. These practices also raise serious concerns regarding compliance with the terms under which the license was issued.

In addition, the Petition appears to seek an expansion of facilities and services—including the use of private full-nude entertainment rooms—while simultaneously proposing to eliminate required Residential Disturbance Obligation (RDO) security measures. Taken together, these proposed changes would materially undermine the carefully negotiated protections intended to preserve peace, order, and quiet in the surrounding neighborhood.

For these reasons, DCCA supports the Protests filed by ANC 2B, ANC 2D and Sheridan Kalorama Neighborhood Council and urges the Board to deny the Petition and require continued compliance with the existing SA.

Sincerely,

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