



August 15, 2007

**D.C Alcoholic Beverage Control Board
941 North Capitol Street, N.E.
7th Floor
Room 7200
Washington, D.C. 20002**

Attention: Fred Moosally, General Counsel

In the Matter of License Renewals for: Don Juan Restaurant & Carryout, License No. 15934; Don Jaime, License No. 21925; and NHV Corporation (D.B>A. Haydee's Restaurant), License No 24663.

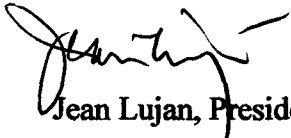
Dear Board Members,

I am writing on behalf of the Mount Pleasant Business Association in support of the Hear **Mount Pleasant's** new voluntary agreements with Mt. Pleasant business owners. MPBA is a non-profit organization that was incorporated in 1947 and represents approximately 75 small business and commercial property owners in Mount Pleasant. We meet monthly to work on issues of common interest.

Several of our members are ABC license holders. One of the issues of great interest to them is the manner in which "voluntary" agreements are negotiated with community residents. Mount Pleasant business owners question whether the community organization supposedly representing the community is truly representative and are frustrated with the lack of transparency in the process.

Hear **Mount Pleasant**, an organization primarily led by Mount Pleasant residents, has proposed a new approach to the process which we enthusiastically support. After working tirelessly to get neighbors involved in the process, they have developed a voluntary agreement that reflects a consensus of neighborhood and business owner concerns. We urge you to recognize their work and give full credit to these voluntary agreements in making your decisions regarding the issuance of alcohol licenses in Mount Pleasant. Hear **Mount Pleasant** has set an example of transparency and collaboration that has not been seen in recent years in Mount Pleasant. It deserves all our support.

Sincerely,


Jean Lujan, President

