

November 16, 2020

City of Columbus
Mitchell J. Brown, City Council Member
90 W. Broad St.
Columbus, Ohio 43215
c/o Denise Friend Foster, Legislative Aide

Sir,

The following investigation was conducted concerning the City of Columbus' 2020 annual objection to the renewal of liquor permit **7736040** issued to **SAOOD INC**, which is doing business as **Livingston Market** located at **1619 E. Livingston Ave., Columbus, Ohio 43205**. The recorded owner of said permit is **Jehad El Zaben**.

After reviewing the State of Ohio, Franklin County, and City of Columbus records regarding the above liquor permit establishment, the following information has been compiled to support the objection to the renewal of the aforementioned permit issued by the State of Ohio. The City of Columbus objected to this liquor permit renewal at the end of 2019, and a hearing on this renewal is not set until December. Thus, there has not yet been a final decision on this permit. Thus, an objection of the 2020 renewal is proper in order to preserve any objection to its continued renewal while the Division of Liquor Control hearing and decision is pending.

The above listed liquor establishment has been issued a **C1 and C2** permits by the Division of Liquor. This permit grants the permit holder the privilege to sell alcoholic beverages at the above listed address.

A review of the Columbus Division of Police records revealed the Division of Police has created **(26) twenty-six** official police reports concerning incidents at the listed liquor establishment between **January 2019** and **November 2020**. These reports referenced shots fired, weapons offenses, drug trafficking and possession, intoxicated persons needing assistance, assault, and motor vehicle theft, including:

January 6, 2019

ASSAULT

January 29, 2019

INTOXICATED PERSON NEEDING ASSISTANCE

August 30, 2019

SHOOTING

September 3, 2019

DRUG TRAFFICKING

September 9, 2019
DRUG TRAFFICKING

October 11, 2019
INTOXICATED PERSON NEEDING ASSISTANCE

November 12, 2019
DRUG TRAFFICKING

December 30, 2019
WEAPONS OFFENSE, DRUG POSSESSION

February 11, 2020
SHOTS FIRED

July 13, 2020
SHOTS FIRED

In addition, the Columbus Division of Police have been dispatched to **1619 E. Livingston Ave., Columbus, Ohio 43205** on **(63) sixty-three** calls for service, **(50) fifty** in 2019, and **(13) thirteen** in 2020 at **Livingston Market**. These calls for service include responses to robberies, assaults, indecent exposure, fights and disturbances, overdoses, intoxicated persons needing assistance, and stolen vehicle complaints.

Respectfully submitted,

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P.A.C.T. Unit