

November 1, 2021

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' 2021 annual objection to the renewal of liquor permit **95561790005** issued to **Wheatland Food Inc.**, which is doing business as **Wheatland Foods** located at **1432 Mt. Vernon Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43203**. The recorded owner of said permit is **Amir Alqabae**.

The City of Columbus also objected to the renewal of this permit in November 2020. The Ohio Department of Commerce Division of Liquor Control has not yet held a final hearing on that objection.

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 above listed liquor establishment has been issued **C1, C2, and D6** 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 **(21) twenty-one** official police reports concerning incidents at the listed liquor establishment between **January 2019** and **November 2021**. These reports referenced robbery, menacing, molesting, assaults, motor vehicle theft, burglary, illegal tobacco sales, arrest of persons with outstanding warrants, trespassing, overdose, and felony theft, including:

May 14, 2019
ACCIDENTAL OVERDOSE

December 18, 2019
ASSAULT

January 12, 2020
ASSAULT

April 16, 2020
FELONY THEFT

April 28, 2020

ASSAULT

April 30, 2020

ROBBERY

May 15, 2020

TOBACCO VIOLATION

August 23, 2020

MOLESTING

October 13, 2020

MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT

May 15, 2021

FELONY THEFT

August 27, 2021

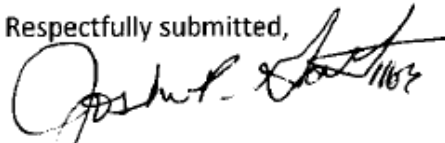
MENACING

September 6, 2021

BURGLARY

In addition, the Columbus Division of Police have been dispatched to **1432 Mt. Vernon Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43203** on **(41) forty-one** calls for service, **(26) twenty-six** in 2020, and **(15) fifteen** in 2021 at **Wheatland Foods**. These calls for service include responses to shots fired, person with a gun, person with a knife, stabbing, assault, narcotics usage and sales, intoxicated persons needing assistance, overdoses, fights and disturbances, domestic violence, and motor vehicle thefts. Additionally, patrol officers have received numerous complaints of narcotics activity occurring immediately in front of the entrance to the Premises.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joshua Gantt", with a date "9/6/21" written to the right.

Detective Joshua Gantt, #1163
Columbus Division of Police
P.A.C.T. Unit