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Honorable Nick J. Mosby
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RE: City Council Resolution 24-0221R - Approval for the Exchange of a Class B-D-7 License to a Class A-7 License for Use at 3601 Elm Street, 21217

City Council Resolution 24-0220R would allow the holder of a Class BD7 Beer, Wine and Liquor (BWL) license located at 3601 Elm Street to apply to the board of Liquor License Commissioners for Baltimore City (BLLC) to exchange said license for a Class A-7 BWL license.

In 2018, the General Assembly of Maryland and Governor Hogan enacted Chapter 537 of the Laws of Maryland of 2018. This change in the law allows Class BD7 license holders to exchange their licenses for a Class A-7 BWL license, contingent upon receiving "...approval by resolution of the Baltimore City Council" Class A-7 BWL license holders may sell Beer, Wine, and Liquor at retail for off-premises consumption from 10:00 am – midnight, seven (7) days per week. Additionally, unlike Class BD7 BWL license holders, Class A-7 BWL license holders are required to maintain and operate a digital surveillance system equipped with high-definition cameras that provide continuous, 24-hour video monitoring placed inside and outside the licensed premises.

If adopted, City Council Resolution 22-0221R would authorize the holder of the Class BD7 BWL license located at 3601 Elm Street to exchange their license for a Class A-7 BWL license before the BLLC, as per State law. The BLLC has no position as to whether the Council approves this resolution.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Warmly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michelle Wirzberger".

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Deputy Executive Secretary.