

Government of the District of Columbia
Foggy Bottom and West End
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A



c/o West End Library

1101 24th St., N.W.

Washington DC 20037

November 5, 2013

Ms. Ruthann Miller, Chairman
Alcohol Beverage Control Board
1250 U Street, N.W., 3rd Floor
Washington DC 20009

Re: ABRA-075871 Acott Ventures, LLC, t/a Shadow Room

Dear Chairman Miller and Members of the Board:

At its regular, duly-noticed meeting on October 16, 2013, the matter of the renewal of the liquor license of Acott Ventures, LLC, came before the Commission. With a quorum present, ANC 2A voted unanimously to protest the renewal of this license based on adverse impact on the peace, order, and quiet of the neighborhood, impact on residential parking, and vehicular and pedestrian safety, and impact on residential real property values. The Commission further voted to designate Commissioner Florence Harmon, in whose single-member district the applicant's business is located, to serve as the ANC's representative in this matter. The Commission also designated Commissioner Patrick Kennedy as an alternate ANC representative in this matter.

At this meeting, as at earlier meetings where the Shadow Room was discussed, neighborhood residents and commissioners offered numerous reasons for protesting this renewal. The deleterious effect of this business on the peace, order and tranquility of the neighborhood are well-documented both by police records and citizen complaints. The traffic and noise generated by the Shadow Room, especially on Thursday nights and weekends disturb the peace and quiet of the vicinity. This disorder further has a negative impact on property values, particularly in the apartment houses and condominiums that border this alley on the west and north and also on nearby properties such as the historic townhouses of Schneider's Triangle.

Sincerely,

Florence Harmon
ANC 2A Chair

cc: ANC Commissioners
Steve Acott