


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From: FamilyHowl@aol.com
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Subject: Shore bar reforms

Dear Mr. DeLong: Thank you for moving forward on this long-overdue relief for the Belmont Shore residents' community. The duplex at 179 Covina, directly behind Legends parking lot, has been in my family for more than fifty years. I grew up in this home. Although no one expects life to be as it was in the 1950's, I can assure you that the impact of several Belmont Shore bars has changed the character of the Shore significantly the last few years, and this home and the surrounding neighborhood is no longer the safe beach community of my youth. Far from it!

My property is presently rented to nice people who have had to tolerate a lot of chaos from the adjacent parking lot, including late night fights among drunk bar patrons, public urination and several car accidents (many hit & run). My tenants and the neighbors have been complaining that Covina has become particularly bad since Legends reopened a few years ago.

I hope you will continue your efforts to impose some enforceable rules on these bars run amok. I have talked to Gene Rotundo on several occasions about my concerns for my tenants and my property. He has apparently made some efforts with security cameras and security or cleaning crews after hours on the weekends. However, his staff also appears to continue to over-serve patrons and the security does not seem to be particularly effective. There have been reports of more hit-and-run fender benders. Perhaps going back to having John Morris operate Legends will be helpful, but in the meantime, I hope you will get some rules in place to control this serious situation. PATRICIA WEEKS