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Subject: Strongly oppose issuance of entertainment permit to DORIS ONEYDA SALAZAR (dba: SIRENITA'S RESTAURANT)

To Sandy Tsang-Palmer and the L.B. City Council:

Friday, 07-20-18, I found in my mail box the public notice of the public hearing which will take place Tuesday, July 24, 2018, regarding the issuance of a permit for Entertainment without Dancing by Patrons and Performers to Doris Oneyda Salazar (DBA: Sirenita's Restaurant), and that is too little time for me to make arrangements with my employer to be able to attend the hearing to express my opposition to this issuance. I STRONGLY OBJECT to this entertainment license being issued and am sending this email to speak for me.

Prior to the new owners taking over this restaurant which used to be called Super Taco the establishment served food and also sold beer. Since the new owners have taken over the atmosphere in the restaurant is extremely loud and I have on several occasions I have already witnessed what appeared to be singing and karaoke.

In addition to those personal observations from the street, three separate times I have walked over to eat there and found it was so loud I could not endure the volume of the music and the loud voices of customers they are attracting.

Also, in the evenings when they have left their entrance doors open the noise from inside spilled out into the street and neighborhood. This noise from inside their restaurant --which you can hear with the doors closed at times-- was of such volume when the doors were left open it was uncomfortable standing or walking on the Chestnut Avenue sidewalk some 60 feet away.

Previously the restaurant in that location served primarily food with some beer sold as a beverage option. If this entertainment permit is allowed the new owners will essentially have license to operate a bar that also services food.

It is well documented that there is a greater number of bars, lounges, and places to obtain alcohol in the Wrigley District and the west side of Long Beach. We see this disparity between availability of alcohol in our neighborhoods and those of other Long Beach neighborhoods and are forced to deal with the consequences of that daily.

This restaurant, while facing a business commercial street, is clearly in a residential neighborhood which already has long-standing issues with parking and suspicious activity by non-residents. If entertainment is offered there will be more parking congestion and lack of street parking for homeowners and renters due to their customers choosing to stay longer than is needed to order food and eat before quickly going.

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This neighborhood does NOT need another "entertainment" business. We already have the 2:00 AM Club less than 2 blocks away, the new craft brewery that opened 3 blocks away, etc.

I do not know Doris Oneyda Salazar or the owners/partners DBA as Sirenita's Restaurant and I wish them every success with their business. My complaint and objection is not personal or vindictive in nature merely addressing the fact that they purchased a fast food restaurant and not an entertainment venue.

As stated in my first paragraph I am strongly opposed to the issuance of this type of entertainment license to the owners of Sirenita's Restaurant. We have enough problems with property values, parking, noise, and trying to preserve a livable family neighborhood already.

Thank you for bringing my comments to the attention of this public hearing.

Best regards,

Brooks Burkhalter, D.C.H.