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BELMONT SHORE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

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July 22, 2008

Mayor Bob Foster
Councilmember Gary DeLong, 3rd District
Vice Mayor Val Lerch and Councilmembers
City of Long Beach
333 W. Ocean Blvd.
Long Beach, CA 90802

Dear Mayor Foster, Councilmember DeLong, Vice Mayor Lerch and Councilmembers:

Re: Oppose original ABC License for Chronic Taco Chapman LLC, dba Chronic Taco
Belmont Shore, 3870 Ocean Blvd. – Item # 23 Council Meeting July 22, 2008

The Belmont Shore Residents Association Board of Directors respectfully requests that you oppose the request for an original ABC License for Chronic Taco Belmont Shore, 3870 Ocean Blvd.

This ABC Census Tract is already oversaturated with 10 on-sale licenses already existing but only 5 allowed. The adjacent Belmont Shore Census Tracts are extremely oversaturated with a total of 47 active on-sale ABC liquor licenses.

There are 38 residences within 100 feet of Chronic Taco Belmont Shore, according to the Long Beach Police Report for this location.

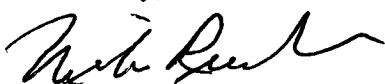
Chronic Taco is a taco stand with no enclosed seating. All seating is in an open air, covered patio. Thus the noise impact on neighboring residents of drinking patrons would be serious.

Ocean Blvd. and Livingston Drive are already heavily traveled thoroughfares with speeding, drinking drivers and a pedestrian death just a year and a half ago – a 93 year old woman killed as she crossed with the green light and in a crosswalk. The community does not need more drinking drivers.

Long Beach police are already overburdened and short staffed; an additional on-sale liquor license with potential noise complaints and drinking patrons will add to their burden and those of the taxpayers.

We appreciate your attention to our concerns, and ask you to oppose an original ABC License for Chronic Taco Belmont Shore.

Sincerely,



Mike Ruehle
President, Belmont Shore Residents Association

cc: ABC District Office, Marcie Griffin, District Administrator