Tuesday, June 24, 2014

To Whom it May Concern,

My name is Ed. I am a resident of 2130 E. 4th St. which is located in the apartment building directly on the West side and next-door to 4th Street Vine. I also own Big Ed's Records, a specialty record store which is located on the East side directly next-door to 4th Street Vine. So I am a neighbor on both sides of the wine bar. During the 6 years that they have been in business they have been respectful neighbors and have played a role in the continuing positive development on 4th St. which all of us as business owners and residents have worked toward for many years. It has recently come to my attention that a few residents in the apartment building that I live in sent in letters of opposition to 4th Street Vine's application for an entertainment license. I am writing to counter this opposition and ask you to please support this application for them. When 4th Street Vine has live music, they always keep the doors and windows closed and on occasion when I am able to hear music it is not excessive and they always end music at a decent hour. Additionally, they frequently ask me about the sound level from my apartment to ensure that my building is not bothered. As I've said, the music is not overly loud but rather just muffled city sounds. These folks have demonstrated responsibility as business owners and community residents. I think it is important for the City of Long Beach to support the advancement of responsible businesses like these. As a resident, I think it's nice to know there is an establishment such as 4th Street Vine that I can access by foot and also enjoy live music and culture that our city has to offer. As a business owner, I am excited at the growth that our business district has been recently experiencing and would love to see some support from our city leaders and specifically, our City Council person.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

Big Ed-

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