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November 14, 2005

Councilmember Frank Colonna 340 Nieto Avenue Long Beach, CA 90814

Ref: Item #36: Application for an Original Alcoholic Beverage Control License

Dear Councilmember Colonna,

We are writing to express our opposition to the issuance of an alcoholic beverage license to the Potholder Restaurant located at 3100 East Broadway.

Our neighborhood suffers from having a disproportionately high number of alcohol serving establishments located within a close proximity to our homes and it is unfair to us for the state and the city to keep approving them. Within several blocks of our home, we have liquor stores, hardcore bars (36/36 and Reno's) and restaurants which sell liquor.

The negative impacts created by these nearby drinking establishments include drunks passed out on our front lawns; drunks yelling at 2 a.m. as they make their way home; reckless driving through our streets; and bottles, cans and cigarette butts strewn throughout the neighborhood. Cars are parked in front of our houses at night so that it is hard to find a parking space. In the morning, on the sidewalk and in the street in front of both the 36/36 Club and Reno's, there is vomit and many, many cigarette butts, which make their way into the storm drain and out to the ocean. I literally had to avoid a woman who was passed out on the sidewalk the other morning while I was running.

It's unhealthy for the kids. Combined, the families on Euclid Ave., alone, have at least 11 kids under the age of 10; two were just born within the last 6 months. In addition, there is a preschool located less than a block away on Broadway. It is unsafe to have this many drinking establishments in such close proximity.

We ask your consideration in this matter to vote NO on the application for the license.

cc: Councilmembers' and Mayor's Offices

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- The nearby sale of alcohol in liquor stores, bars and restaurants is having a negative impact on our neighborhood.
- It contributes to an unsafe environment for our kids; on Euclid we have 11 kids under the age of 12.
- It is too close to the pre-school a block away on Broadway.
- We have too many drunks wandering our neighborhood now. Drunks have passed out on front lawns and on the sidewalks.
- There is too much vomit and too many cigarette butts out in front of 36/36 and Reno Room.
- It increases parking and traffic in front of our homes. People park in front of our homes and drink, do drugs and listen to loud music.
- Drinking contributes to irrational behavior and crime. We had a break-in on Wednesday, November 9 on our block.
- The city should not be encouraging drinking on every corner.

Councilmember Colona and City Council:

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