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Dear Councilmember Suja Lowenthal,

I am writing this letter in support of 4<sup>th</sup> Street Vine obtaining their entertainment permit. Through my experience coordinating benefit shows throughout Long Beach, curating the entire Local Music Crawl of Independents Week, and working as a board-certified music therapist in medical settings, I have only seen live music in small businesses and venues create a positive impact on the Long Beach community.

In recent years, Long Beach has becoming a booming city for local music and arts. However, the amount of venues has not kept up with this trend. As a result, the alternative venue has become the backyards of young residents, in which noise violations, neighborhood complaints, and littering were certainly a result. Fortunately, 4<sup>th</sup> Street Vine has done its' share in minimizing this problem by providing local musicians and community residents a safe space to enjoy live music while patronizing a small business and investing their money in the local economy.

While live music at 4<sup>th</sup> Street Vine has contributed to the local economy, it has not only revitalized the Retro Row Corridor, but it has become a flagship live music and wine lounge to local residents as well as residents from surrounding cities. Providing 4<sup>th</sup> Street Vine an entertainment permit is a key step and a community victory in building a stronger Long Beach that capitalizes on its local arts, music and culture, in which travelers and LA/OC residents also frequent—much like LA, Los Angeles and San Diego.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Kind regards,

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