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Endorsement of the Hear Mount Pleasant Voluntary Agreement

Resolved, that ANC1D endorses the Hear Mount Pleasant voluntary (cooperative) agreement, and advises the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board to accept that agreement, as a replacement for any existing agreements.

Why: this agreement has been developed in extensive consultation between residents and Mount Pleasant restaurateurs, and carefully balances the needs of the restaurant proprietors against the concerns of the nearby residents. New types of entertainment are allowed the restaurants, with rigorous safeguards to prevent unreasonable disturbances of those nearby residents. The Mount Pleasant commercial district needs to be permitted to offer entertainment, for the economic viability of these restaurants. Many Mount Pleasant residents want modern entertainment to be available in their own neighborhood, within easy walking distance of their homes. The current ban on live music, live entertainment, and dancing must be lifted for the benefit of both restaurants and residents. Concerns of disruption of peace, order, and quiet in the neighborhood must be addressed, and are addressed in this voluntary agreement, through the Responsible Hospitality Partnership mechanism.

This agreement has won the support of Hear Mount Pleasant, of numerous residents, and of several Mount Pleasant restaurateurs and their legal representative. It liberalizes the regulation of Mount Pleasant restaurants, while carefully addressing problems of noise.

This is a hard-won, compromise agreement, and deserves a fair chance to prove that it can open the doors to better music and entertainment in Mount Pleasant, while protecting nearby residents from disturbance.

Passed by 5 to 0 vote at the legally noticed, public meeting of ANC1D on August 7, 2007, with a quorum present.