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November 16, 2009

Ronald D. Leonhardt City Clerk/License Committee City Hall 200 E. Wells Street, Room 105 Milwaukee, WI 53202

Dear Mr. Leonhardt:

Based on criteria listed in the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances Chapter 68-4.11, the City of Milwaukee Health Department formally submits the attached objection to the release of the Food Dealer's License for Sara Omar, LLC, located at 3939 W Lisbon Avenue doing business as Sara Foods, by Alderman Willie Hines, Jr. The mailing address for the applicant is 2340 S. 31st St Milwaukee, WI 53215.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact my office at 414-286-3521.

Sincerely,

Bevan K. Baker, FACHE

Commissioner of Health

Enc.

Hulbert, Kevin

From: Runner, Alex

Sent: Monday, November 16, 2009 11:00 AM

To: Hulbert, Kevin

Cc: Reese, Barbara; Holloway, Denise

Subject: FW: 3939 W. Lisbon Ave.

Kevin,

Here is the e-mail that I sent to you on October 16. This is our official objection.

Let me know if you have any questions. x3771

Thanks, Alex

From: Runner, Alex

Sent: Friday, October 16, 2009 3:48 PM **To:** Filmanowicz, Raquel; Hulbert, Kevin

Cc: Baker, Bevan; Domagalski, Christopher; Brown, Charlotte; Lemmie Jr., Derrick; Reese, Barbara; Holloway,

Denise; Hines Jr., Willie

Subject: 3939 W. Lisbon Ave.

Raquel and Kevin:

A few minutes ago, our office received your letter and its attached food license application, regarding 3939 W. Lisbon Ave.

As you know, President Hines believes that another comer store (selling candy, cigarettes, chips, etc.) in this area can only negatively affect the health of residents and diminish their quality of life. (Already there are six stores that sell primarily un-healthy foods in this ten-block stretch of Lisbon Ave.) On more than one occasion, members of the District Three Police Department have shared an identical position, expressing their own opposition to a corner store at 3939 W. Lisbon, especially with the high concentration of food licenses in close proximity, all of which specialize in serving candy, chips and other food items that are far from healthy. The crime and loitering associated with this particular applicant's prior store location bolsters our opposition.

Despite these positions by Alderman Hines and MPD, your letter states the following:

"Neither the Health Department nor, to our knowledge, the Police Department, are making a request to deny the license application for this individual."

It is our belief that the Police Department is, in fact, in opposition to this license that has been approved by the Health Department. If you have contacted MPD in this regard, please let us know what conversations or exchanges of information have taken place. I am cc-ing District Three Captain Domagalski, as well as two of his Community Liaison Officers, both of whom are intimately aware of the problems at this particular applicant's previous location, as well as the challenges associated with this part of Lisbon Ave. We can only assume that the Health Department has already sought a position from Captain Domagalski, or his staff, in order to assert that MPD is not in objection. If this is not the case, what is the current policy by which the Health Department determines whether or not MPD has any objection to a food license?

Captain Domagalski: Additionally, by way of this e-mail, we are requesting that MPD provide a formal opinion to our office and the Health Department on this food license application, if no request was made previously.

Thank you for giving your attention to this matter.

Respectfully, Alex Runner

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