



Historic Concordia Neighbors, Inc.
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City of Milwaukee Licenses Committee
200 E. Wells Street
Milwaukee, WI 53202

June 29, 2025

Dear Licenses Committee Members:

On behalf of Historic Concordia Neighborhood, we, the board members of Historic Concordia Neighbors, Inc. (HCNI), unanimously request that the Licenses Committee deny the renewal of a Class A liquor license to RK Liquor at 2537 W. State Street.

All of us live within walking distance of this business; and we have all witnessed that RK Liquor is a haven for loitering, panhandling and littering. To our knowledge, there have not been any significant attempts by the business owners to remedy any of these issues.

Our neighbors have been vocal in their desire for businesses that are family-oriented and promote health and wellness. It's worth noting that The New State is located directly across the street from RK Liquor. The New State is working to engage people of all ages in community-based arts programming, with a focus on serving our neighborhood's young people. Achieving such goals will remain far more challenging as long as RK Liquor continues to operate in its current manner.

The operators of RK Liquor have, sadly, proven incapable of managing the near-constant loitering and other issues that their business has wrought. Therefore, we strongly recommend that the Licenses Committee deny renewal of a Class A liquor license to RK Liquor.

Sincerely,
The HCNI Board of Directors

CC:
Alderman Robert Bauman