

March 13, 2003

**City of Milwaukee
Room 205, City Hall
Attention: Common Council
200 East Wells Street
Milwaukee, WI 53202-3570**

RE: Junior's Sports Bar and Grill

Dear Utilities and Licensing Committee:

This letter comes with severe disgust at the news that Junior's Sports Bar and Grill [Junior's] may be in jeopardy of losing its liquor license.

Junior's has been a pillar in the community for years. It has provided jobs for individuals that society counted out. It has been and still is an oasis for many corporate employees who make Junior's the meeting place after a hard day or week at work. It is a community restaurant providing meals that you crave for. Junior's is a safe haven away from the clubs (where violence seems to be immanent). It is a minority owned successful business that has built and maintained several relationships in the Green Bay and Silver Spring Drive Area and beyond.

Owner, Mr. Devon Reid, has maintain security and safety by providing able bodied security guards to keep watch over the parking lot, installed a security camera for the parking area and has maintain the entrance way (where underage individuals have been turned away). He has also instituted specified nights where the "old school" meet the "new school" to diversify and bring wisdom to the atmosphere. And unlike most owners, he is visible and dedicated to meeting the needs of his customers and friends.

It is our hope that you take this letter into to consider when reviewing the license for Junior's Bar and Grill.

Junior's is more than just a Bar and Grill, but it is a home away from home, a home away from work.....

Sincerely,

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Dear Members of the Common Council:

For the first time in years, young black professionals have a positive place to relax after a long day of hard work. It is an outrage that Junior's Sports Bar is under an attack. For years, I have gone to Junior's. It is a place where people come together to enjoy, music, sports, great food and laughter among friends. Throughout the years, Junior's have had the magic of attracting a wide range of professionals from school teachers to police officers. Removing Junior's from the black community is a sign that Milwaukee is moving backwards.

Sincerely,
Candace Morris

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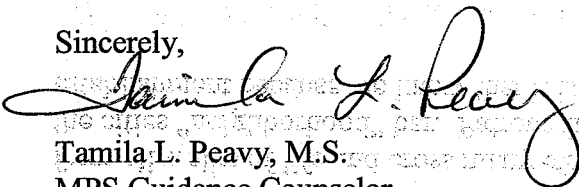
It is with deepest regret that I am writing this letter to the entire common council. I have recently become aware of the council's efforts to revoke the liquor license of Juniors Sports Bar owned and operated by Devon Reid.

Juniors Sports bar is by far the city of Milwaukee's premier Young Professional's establishment of choice. The clientele, atmosphere, food, and hospitality cater to people from all walks of life and cross many ethnic and socio-economic backgrounds. This is the cities "neighborhood" bar. Patrons from all over the city and suburbs frequent this establishment because we know that it is safe, clean, and the food is great.

Mr. Reid is not merely a businessman trying to make a dollar. He frequently donates revenue as well as his establishment to community organizations for committee meetings and fundraisers. The council would be doing the community and especially Milwaukee's Young Professionals a disservice by not renewing the liquor license of Juniors Sports Bar.

In closing, Devon Reid is the sole proprietor of an establishment that is known for good, clean, safe entertainment. I am sure that he is willing to listen to and make any compromise within reason to keep his business operating. I can only hope that the council will take into consideration the voice of the people who are in support of this business remaining open to serve spirits and food.

Sincerely,



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CITY OF MILWAUKEE
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200 EAST WELLS ST
MILWAUKEE, WI 53202-3570

Dear Council,

I am writing in regards to the disturbing news I recently heard concerning Devon Reid, the owner of Junior's Sports Bar. It is my understanding that rumors are being spread about his establishment and the way it is ran. I want to show my support by sending this letter to inform you of the excellent job he is doing and how well his establishment is ran.

Junior's is like a second home to me. Everyone who works there, including him, is like a family member. Every bar has it's bad moments when something may occur, but those moments are so very rare and few, I can't believe someone is trying to shut down this establishment. How many owners do you know, who spends a lot of time in their bar socializing with everyone? Devon is not only a great owner, but he is also a great friend and a role model to many in the community. Junior's is the one place many can count on to be treated with so much love and respect once you walk through that door.

On a more comical side, think of it like this. Jack Tripper from Three's Company, had the Regal Beagal, Homer Simpson has Moe's, Norm has Cheers, and we have Junior's. That's the type of love you get from Junior's. So, as a concerned friend and frequent attendee of Junior's, please don't destroy a "happy home!"

Thank you,

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March 14, 2003

**City of Milwaukee--Utilities and Licensing Committee
200 E Wells Street
Room 205 City Hall
Milwaukee WI 53202-3570**

Dear City of Milwaukee--Utilities and Licensing Committee:

I have recently been made aware through some friends in the community that Junior's Bar and Grill (Owner--Devon Reid) at 5409 N Green Bay Ave, Milwaukee Wisconsin is up for their liquor license renewal. I understand that they are up against some opposition due to some accusations of it being a violent and rowdy environment. I am writing this letter to give my full support to this establishment.

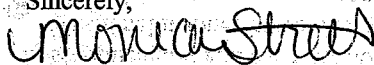
I moved to Milwaukee 2 ½ years ago and had never been to this establishment. As soon as I moved to town some of my friends took me to Junior's Bar & Grill. I asked them what type of place it was and they told me a laid back environment where many professionals gather for lunch, meetings, and after-work gatherings. I have found this to be nothing but, true since the day I began going there. I have met a lot of good people and had many good times at Junior's Bar & Grill. I am a very regular customer and have found that Junior's is much like a "Cheers" atmosphere for me. I have found it to be a very comfortable environment to host a meeting, have a birthday party and have/attended sorority functions.

In June of 2002 I was looking for a place where I could host my birthday party. As a professional I have many colleagues that I consider friends as well. I also have a lot of family who will only come to an establishment if it is a safe and friendly environment. I was inviting people from 21 to 80 years old and needed somewhere that they would all feel comfortable. The one place I knew that I could go was Junior's Bar & Grill. I think that any bar type environment where I feel comfortable inviting my boss, colleagues and even my 80 year old grandmother has to be a safe place to be. Because of the professional manner in which my party was catered last year; I am now hoping to host a party there for three friends who will be completing their MBA's and MSE's in June 2003.

I can not officially represent my organization because I am not the President. However as a member of a National Public Service Sorority that has been established for 90 years I can also speak to Junior's Bar & Grill's environment for public service events. Devon Reid is a strong supporter of all of our community focused events. In return we always support his establishment by hosting our beginning of the year event at Junior's Bar and Grill. They have always done an outstanding job with this event.

I have had nothing but, positive experiences at Junior's. I have probably been in Junior's at least once a week since November 2000 and I have seen only the beginnings of two disputes. They were each addressed immediately and I felt safe enough to stay until the end of the evening. I can not say that for many other places that I have seen altercations occur. Please know that there are many professionals in Milwaukee who view Junior's as a place where we can network and socialize at one place. As a resident of the City of Milwaukee, I would like to formally give my full support and ask you to please re-issue Junior's Bar and Grill's License.

Sincerely,



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